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PRESIDENT'S column

RELIGION'S ETERNAL TRIANGLE

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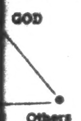
three cardinal points of ence or relationship in all ence are God, Self, Others. the prevailing pattern of ionships among these in any group, or individual is the ession of a life philosophy eligion.

e Christian pattern of these tionships is represented by ight-triangle connecting the points as here illustrated. Lord, when asked for the first and great commandment, expressed it as a vertical reach of love: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with thine entire heart, soul, mind, strength. second commandment, like the first, our Lord further essed as a horizontal reach ove: Thou shalt love thy hbor as thyself.



e shortening of either arm, vertical reach toward God or ocial reach toward man, re- the spiritual capacity of approaching zero as either withdraws toward self.

e history of the church re- periods of pious withdraw- the world and mankind [illegible] from society in a too sive concern for individual ness and personal salvation, other periods when religion flattened out to the social e of service with no lift of rnatural power for such ser-

e neglect of the social reach ondemned by the Apostle es who declares that faith rd God is dead if not ex- ed in concern for my bro- (James 2:14-26); the neglect he vertical reach is con- ned by the Apostle Paul who ares that those fail to reach teousness who seek it by s and not by faith (Romans -32). Here is no conflict be- n the two apostles, but firm rd with their Lord who so rly taught that if I love God all my being I will love neighbor as myself.

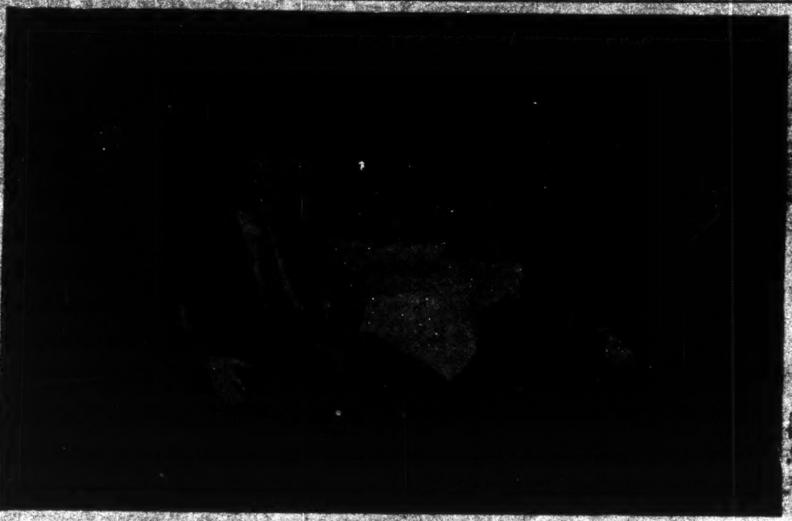
follows, then, that those who n a personal relationship to by faith are rightly judged at claim by their practical ern for others. True evan- als are those who have been again as new creatures in t, and who express the new in doing good unto others. post-war relief program h is now being launched by National Association of gelicals is a modern version ts 11:29.

hen the disciples, every man rding to his ability, deter- d to send relief unto the hren which dwelt in Judaea."

e R Marston

ugurate ective ble Courses

OUNT OLIVE, N. C. (RNS) , 21—Elective Bible courses, possible by publicly-sub- ed funds, will be inaugurated unt Olive schools during the school year. A full-time er has been employed for ls in the upper grammar s and high schools. The will carry credit for col- entrance.



Some of the members present at the N.A.E. Board of Administration meeting. From left to right, they are: Herman Kuiper, J. H. Walker, Howard W. Ferrin, Kenneth S. Keyes, H. J. Taylor, John E. Marion, R. S. Holleman, J. Elwin Wright, Leslie R. Marston, Gertrude D. Clark, J. Roswell Flower, J. A. Ringenberg, Charles B. Templeton, G. H. Montgomery, Paul S. Rees and Archer Anderson.

Sunday School And Youth Edition Planned

By J. Elwin Wright

CHICAGO, Sept. [illegible]—One of the most important meetings of the Board of Administration since the National Association of Evangelicals [illegible] was held [illegible] at the [illegible]. Present were the following members: Leslie R. Marston, Greenville, Ill.; R. L. Decker, Kansas City, Mo.; J. Willison Smith, Jr., Philadelphia, Pa., H. J. Taylor, Chicago, Ill., J. Roswell Flower, Springfield, Mo., Harry J. Hager, Chicago, Ill., Kenneth S. Keyes, Miami, Fla., Stephen W. Paine, Houghton, N. Y., Archer Anderson, Duluth, Minn., William Ward Ayer, New York, N. Y., Howard W. Ferrin, Providence, R. I. Carl Gundersen, Oak Park, Ill., R. S. Holleman, Oklahoma City, Okla., T. Christie Innes, New York City, Torrey M. Johnson, Chicago, Ill., Bob Jones, Sr., Cleveland, Tenn., Herman Kuiper, Chicago, Ill., G. H. Montgomery, Frederick, Md., William R. Nicholl, Quincy, Mass., Paul S. Rees, Minneapolis, Minn., J. A. Ringenberg, Fort Wayne, Ind., W. H. Rutgers, Grand Rapids, Mich., Robert P. Shuler, Los Angeles, Calif., W. L. Surbrook, Indianapolis, Ind., and J. H. Walker, Sevierville, Tenn. Staff members present were Carl F. Aske, Field Representative, [illegible] C. [illegible], Secretary for Evangelism, Clyde W. Taylor, Secretary for Missions, and J. Elwin Wright, Field Secretary.

The report of the treasurer, H. J. Taylor, revealed the fact that $25,593.57 was received during the five months of the fiscal year, ending Aug. 31. This amount was sufficient for the needs, although somewhat under the proportioned amount of the $75,000 budget that was adopted at Columbus. The recent expansion in personnel and activities will make it necessary for the organization to take immediate steps for the raising of about $35,000 to complete the budget needs.

Mr. Kenneth S. Keyes, Chairman of the Finance Committee, offered valuable suggestions for raising the amounts still needed. Among other things, the Board was urged to provide a finance and promotion secretary as soon as possible.

The Executive Committee was instructed to appoint a chairman for the Commission for Missions to fill the vacancy in that department.

Proposed radio legislation was laid before the Board and approved in principle. This was committed to the Commission for Radio and Dr. Wright for action.

Dr. Wright reported that the meeting of the Commission for Industrial Chaplaincies will be held in Chicago on Oct. 21, at which time policies of this commission will be adopted and a plan suggested for operating this work, which is to be carried on throughout the nation with the cooperation of Christian industrialists.

The Board received information that William Nagel, recently appointed secretary for the Northwestern region, has arrived on the field. Headquarters have been established at Portland, Ore. Mr. Nagel has already arranged a number of important meetings in that area, for the purpose of organizing work.

The Commission for Church Schools presented reports through its chairman, Dr. Archer Anderson of Duluth, and Mr.

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Plans For N.A.E. War Relief Are Advanced; Officers Elected At N.Y.

New York, N.Y., Sept. [illegible]—At a joint meeting of members of the Executive Committee, Board of Administration of N.A.E., and the Commission for War Relief held here tonight, the following officers were elected: Mr. Erling Olson of the Fitch Investment Service, N.Y. Vice-Chairman; Mr. John Becker of N.Y., Secretary; Mr. J. Willison Smith, Jr. of Philadelphia, Treasurer. Elected to the Executive Committee were the officers and Dr. Donald Grey Barnhouse of Philadelphia, Rev. John C. Winston of the Belgian Gospel Mission, Mr. Torrey Mosvold, President of the Neptune Shipping Line. Mr. Philip Benson was elected Chairman at a previous meeting.

Others are to be added to the Executive Committee at a later date. The general committee has now membership of about thirty-five and will be increased to one hundred.

Final action regarding a lease of offices and warehouse was postponed until the next meeting, pending the receipt of additional information regarding shipping facilities.

It is expected that an announcement will be made the first of October regarding the final details of this most important project, which will be a major activity of N.A.E. for some time to come.

Youth For Christ Movement Blanketing U.S.A.

BOSTON, Sept. 30 (Special Dispatch) The rapid development of Youth for Christ and similarly titled mass meetings for young people, usually held on Saturday evenings and including a broadcast is, in our judgment, one of the most amazing evangelistic developments of this generation. Theoretically, it just couldn't be done. Saturday night was an impossible time for such a venture! Young people can scarcely be persuaded to go to church on Sunday!

Jack Wyrtzen proceeded to prove that it can be done. He organized a bright, helpful evangelistic service near Times Square and was soon packing them in every week. Many were genuinely saved. Others tried the same plan successfully. Today there are known to be more than 200 Saturday night meetings of this character and almost weekly others are being organized. Each is independent of the rest.

In St. Louis the weekly attendance is usually 2500 to 3000. In Chicago on the third Saturday of September, 3500 tried to storm into Orchestra Hall, which seats 2500. Detroit, Boston, Indianapolis, and many other centers number their audiences in thousands.

It usually does not "click" unless organized on an interdenominational basis. It can be and is productive of much good when properly organized and promoted in a way which will tie in with the work of the churches. A new and important army of young people are being raised up who have the urge to witness. There should be much prayer all over the nation for this important work. We are having a demonstration of the fact that young people of this generation are waiting eagerly for the challenging message of the old time gospel.

Pres. Marston To Speak At Indiana All Day Conference

UPLAND, Ind., Sept. 27—Taylor University will be the hostess to an all day conference of N.A.E. leaders and others who wish information regarding this organization. The date has been set for October 27, according to President Robert Lee Stuart.

N.A.E. President Leslie Marston and others will speak. All interested are urged to attend. Among other things, plans will be laid for a state-wide conference to be held in Indianapolis later in the season.

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Columbia College Elects Four New Members To Board

COLUMBIA, S. C., Sept. 20 — The board of trustees of Columbia Bible College has been strengthened by the addition of the following members who for years have had a deep personal interest in Columbia Bible College: The Rev. Charles J. Woodbridge, Salisbury, N. C.; The Rev. Norman B. Harrison of Minneapolis, Minn.; Vernon W. Patterson, Charlotte, N. C.; George Rowland of Sumter, S. C. Dr. John C. Cowell, Jr., who was elected a member of the board of trustees, suddenly went to be with the Lord while pouring out his heart to the very last in ministry for Christ. There is the glad news of the birth of a little son, and the Lord's grace has been greatly magnified in his beloved wife Ruth Cowell. Pray for them.

NAE Commission Asked To Supply Four Chaplains

BOSTON, Sept. 30 — The Navy has asked the National Association Commission for four chaplains to help care for the men now in our enlarged navy. Applications by qualified men will be welcomed by the Commission.

Applicants must have fulfilled the navy requirements of 120 hours of accepted college training plus the equivalent of a theological seminary course of 90 hours, with no duplications. The Navy will make no exceptions to these requirements for formal education.

If interested — and qualified — please communicate with Dr. Harold John Ockenga, pastor of Park Street Church, Boston, who is chairman of the Commission.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF EVANGELICALS — STATEMENT OF FAITH

1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative word of God.
2. We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
3. We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.
4. We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful man regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.
5. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.
6. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.
7. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in Christ.

Northern Baptists To Increase World Emergency Fund

NEW YORK, (RNS), Sept. 25—Needs of the World Emergency Forward Fund of the Northern Baptist Convention have been revised upwards by the Fund Committee, and the denomination's 7,000 churches will be asked to contribute at least $2,000,000 for world relief and church extension this year, or $500,000 more than the goal originally set for 1944.

The revision was voted by the Fund Committee to keep the denomination's plan for post-war reconstruction geared to Allied victories in Europe and the Far East. Anticipating an early peace, the Committee also decided to accelerate its $10,000,000 fund-raising program, originally expected to extend over a four-to-five year period.

The World Emergency Forward Fund campaign will be conducted from October 1 to December 3. The latter day has been designated as the "Sunday of Sacrifice," when appropriate ceremonies will be held in the various churches to dedicate the gifts received.

German Occupation Authorities Release Pastor Hope

STOCKHOLM (By Wireless) Sept. 19 (RNS) — Pastor Ludwig Hope, 70-year-old general secretary of the Provisional Council of the rebel Norwegian State Church has been released by German occupation authorities in Oslo after having been held a prisoner for more than a year.

Rejoicing in Norwegian church circles has been dampened, however, by news that Pastor Hope's release has been accompanied by the arrest of his daughter on a charge of having smuggled eggs to her father during his internment, in defiance of prison regulations. She has been sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

Pastor Hope was a close associate of Professor Ole Christian Hallesby, leader of the Provisional Church Council, since the winter of 1942. Both were imprisoned in May, 1943, for protesting against the conscription of Norwegian labor for work on German fortifications.

The church leaders were confined in the Grini concentration camp outside the Norwegian capital. Their whereabouts was a mystery for some time and it was frequently rumored that they had been removed to a concentration camp inside Germany. Prayers for their release were offered in many churches despite prohibitions by occupation authorities.

The Witness of the N. A. E.

[illegible] growing fellowship we can never maintain the testimony of a glowing Gospel.

For the sake of clarity we must define what we mean by this witness. It is not the witness to or concerning an organic union. Organic union is regarded by many as impossible, and by others as undesirable. We are tempted (greatly tempted) to enlarge upon this phase of the question, but space forbids.

In the second place, this witness is not a witness of a union at the expense of truth. It is quite common these days to read reports of gatherings where members of diverse groups sit on a common platform. Such a getting together is shallow in its purpose and empty in its practice. We may as well try to imagine the Apostle Paul sponsoring such a movement and sending out invitations to Pilate, Caiaphas, Peter and the groups they represented for the purpose of uniting their forces in a common cause of social justice and civic righteousness. We can picture Peter rising at the call of the chair with some such introductory remarks: "Mr. Chairman, it is a matter of great rejoicing on my part to share with you this night the pleasure that springs from this notable achievement. I congratulate you, Sir, on the accomplishment of this task. [illegible] a great forward stride in the development and growth of our religious life. You have succeeded, Sir, in breaking down our [illegible] prejudices, and uniting us in the pursuit of a common purpose. We recognize today, that that [illegible] which [illegible] every man as the fruit of the evolutionary process, has found a glorious expression in Greek mythology and Roman law, and we cannot fail to appreciate the uplift our nation has experienced through the devoted labors of our eminent friend and leader, Pontius Pilate. We find also that our friend and co-worker, Caiaphas, has [illegible] these efforts by his energetic teaching of Jewish traditions, which, after all, are but another form and expression of the moral outreach of the race. And I, too, Sir, feel as one who represents the Christian Church, that we cannot do better than to join our forces with those represented by our eminent friends, that in the spirit of unity we may claim the Empire for the forces of righteousness, and find the oneness of heart which the love of the beautiful always inspires."

Did I say that we can picture Peter rising and giving voice to such sentiments? Well, we can in our distorted imaginations, but not in the truth of the Scriptures. Christianity under such conditions would have perished in a single generation. Simple honesty must make the whole thing ludicrous in our eyes.

The witness of the N.A.E. is foreign to all this. Positively, it is the witness to a blessed unity—the unity of all true believers. The witness to a unity bound up with "a common faith" in "common Lord."

This unity does not demand that we all become Baptists. God forbid. It does not mean that the evangelical Methodist must become a "Plymouth Brother," or that a member of the Presbyterian Church must become a Nazarene. On the contrary, it is the witness of:—

I

A Common Petition

"Thy kingdom come." Not one of us, however zealous and jealous we might be for denominational tradition would presume to pray: "May Methodism Come." Or, "Let Presbyterianism Come." We are so indebted to one another as evangelical Christians, that to exclude any particular group could not fail but to bring distinct and definite loss to the whole.

Our common prayer is for the reign of righteousness through the personal reign of our Lord and Christ.

Unity gives wings to our petition, for unity alone spells sincerity, and prayer without sincerity is vain.

II

It is the Witness of a Common Purpose

"To make all men see" (Eph. 3:9). This is our common purpose, but they never can see, or will see through the high walls of a narrow denominationalism. As brethren, must "dwell together in unity," if we are to work together effectively and effectually. The Gospel of love and denominational bigotry cannot walk hand in hand. We must be one in purpose if the world is to believe that Jesus is the Christ of God, the Saviour of the world.

III

It is the Witness of a Common Passion

Said Dr. J. H. Jowett, "Our main work, our supreme work, our work, before which all other pales and becomes dim, is to tell the good news, to go everywhere, telling everybody we know about the unsearchable riches of Christ."

The passion is never born and can never live amid the cold cloisters of denominational partisanship—it lives and moves and has its being only as it is voiced in the language of a common love, and runs on the feet of a universal commission—"Go ye."

Of what value or importance is it whether we are all found moving in the same division? The one and only thing is this, that "we are in the Army now." There may be many divisions but as Evangelicals, our witness is this, that we are all found fighting the battle of the Lord, and moving forth under our great Commander, "Our Jealous Jesus." This, in a word, is the threefold witness of the N.A.E.

C. G. E. C.

School Trustees Face Prospect of Opening Sessions with Bible Readings

VANCOUVER, B. C. (RNS) Sept. 24—School trustees of Vancouver face the prospect of personally opening sessions of city schools with readings from the Bible.

Under an amendment to the Schools Act, all sessions must now begin with a daily Bible reading, and if teachers feel it is against their convictions to read the Scriptures, school trustees are held liable to take their places.

Superintendent of Schools H. N. MacCorkindale told the trustees at a recent meeting that "several" teachers had refused to read the Scriptures. He would not reveal the exact number.

High School Conducts Bible Study Period

WINONA LAKE, Ind. (RNS) Sept. 22—The Winona Lake-Warsaw high school, with the approval of the Indiana Department of Education, is conducting a Bible study period from Monday to Friday, with the Rev. G. D. Russell, United Brethren minister, as instructor. Nineteen students are enrolled at present, and the courses are financed by the Warsaw-Winona Lake Ministerial Association.

When Answering Advertisements
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Roving Repor

Dr. I. V. Neprash, who ha quite ill and has recently gone an operation is now and and is engaged in his heavy round of services. the executive secretary of Russian Missionary Servic

A new periodical makes this month under the title Children's Crusader." It as its objective "the fur of evangelical released tim cation." It is published by gelical Released Time, Inc. headquarters at 231 South moreland Ave., Los Angel Cal. Dr. Samuel H. Sutherl the president, and Dr. Andreasen is executive Recently great mass have been held in Los and Oakland in the inter this work with Dr. Char Fuller as the speaker. The is published without price and is supported by offerings. It will be of gene terest to those engaged work.

The annual Missionary Bible Conference of the Ch and Missionary Alliance wi held in Boston from Oct. 8 t A rich treat is in prospect, such speakers as Dr. W. Wrighton of Gordon College, M. F. Scruby of Dayton, Rev. W. H. Oldfield of Ch Rev. George Fiske of Bo Rev. W. F. Smalley, N. E. D Supt., Mrs. C. F. Stull of Mrs. J. J. Van Hine of Fr Indo-China, and others on program.

Christian leaders everyw should take the precaution the dates of the 1945 N. A. E. vention, which will be held Stevens Hotel in Chicago. dates are May 1 to 4, but other conventions are gat around it which will be of spread interest. These will in the convention of youth lead Saturday and Sunday, April 2 29, featuring a great All Ame Youth for Christ mass meeti the Coliseum on Saturday ings a Sunday School conv on Monday and Tuesday. N. A. E. convention will open usual, with a great prayer on Tuesday evening.

The Chicago Youth for will hold a great rally at the cago Stadium on Oct. 21 w great number of ace speake the program. Twenty thousan expected to pack this great torium for the occasion. for Christ will then mov Moody Memorial Church for winter, as its present location chestra Hall, is not available ing the winter months.

Mr. Allen C. Emery, one of England's best known la who has for many years bee president of the Evangelisti sociation of New England, is ill. Prayers are asked for speedy recovery.

Rev. William Nagel, newly pointed secretary of N. A. E. the Northwest is going abou work with energy and d Through the courtesy of our local constituent ch space has been provided for fice there. A rally is being on Oct. 6 in the same city, Dr. Carl Truex of Stockton, as the guest speaker. A of the regional chairmen of area has been held recentl Seattle to develop plans for future months.

On October 2 a great meeting was held in Spoka a part of the preparation for coming series of evang meetings to be held by Dr. Jones, which will include churches of that area.

A series of rallies throu Oregon will be held during late autumn.

Rev. Vincent Brushwyler, merly N. A. E. state chairma Iowa, has resigned his at First Baptist Church, tine, Iowa, to become secretary of the Con Mission Board of the Nor Baptists.

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DeForrest Murch, of Cin- Several experts in the Church Schools have orking on a uniform cur courses adapted espe week-day Christian ed. These outlines of will be completed with next few weeks and, as mmission advised, pub in mimeographed form de available to certain organizations for exper ion during the next few Reports and suggestions be made after that time, hich the revised outlines placed in the hands of oved publisher. The com also reported a plan for al Sunday School con to be held in Chicago 30 and May 1 (the pr ceding tne opening of the tional Convention of the Association of Evangel his convention to be held Stevens Hotel in Chicago.

nderson also reported the n the part of the commis t the eventual establish an international coun ristian education be con The report of this com in all its particulars was by the Board of Admin and money was appro for underwriting the ex of the projects.

Melville G. Hatcher pre- report on the progress organizational work in e is engaged in relation ferences on evangelism. onferences are to be held egic centers throughout ited States during the and winter months. His ndicated enthusiastic sup- the part of regional and mmittees where these con- are being set up.

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ephen W. Paine reported work of the Committee ristian Educational In- s, suggesting the con- of work-study groups in d at the next national on.

illiam Ward Ayer, chair- the Commission for Gos- o, informed the Board of stitutional convention to on the 21st at Moody Me- Church for the purpose of g the Gospel broadcast- e nation. (A report of vention appears in an- lumn.)

erable time was occu- h deciding upon the de- procedure for the Com- for War Relief. $2000 ropriated for underwrit- initital expenses of this . A joint meeting was to be held in New York 25th of members of the e Committee and the Administration and the ion for Post-war Relief. eting was empowered to essary action for secur- table warehouse location orized to take such ac- might be necessary to he work.

hiladelphia and Eastern ania committee were au- to appoint an executive for those areas. It is that an announcement ppointment will be made e next few days. The regional committee was orized to employ an ex- ecretary.

ignation of Dr. C. Gor- nville, as chairman of mittee for Evangelism ived with regret. Dr.

Some of the Youth leaders called by President Marston to discuss plans for All American Youth Conference to be held at the Chicago convention next May: Ernest Kessling, C. Stacey Woods, Leslie R. Marston, J. Elwin Wright, Ralph W. Harris, Torrey M. Johnson.

Brownville has been seriously ill, and is resigning from many responsibilities at this time. The Board appointed Dr. Bob Jones, Sr., of Cleveland, Tenn., to the chairmanship of this commission with power to make such additions to the present commission as he might choose.

Dr. Homer Rodeheaver was added to the Commission for Chaplaincies. The purposes of the commission were enlarged to include army camp evangelism.

A motion prevailed to inaugurate a supplementary service to the American Library Association, giving a list of outstanding Christian books of recent publication.

A special committee of youth leaders was called into conference by President Marston to consider plans for a youth convention in connection with the 1945 N.A.E. Convention in Chicago. These plans were adopted by the Board. They include an all-day conference of youth leaders at the Stevens Hotel on Saturday, April 28, a mass meeting in the Chicago Coliseum that evening which it is hoped may be broadcast over a nationwide hook-up, and a second mass meeting on the afternoon of April 29th at Moody Memorial Church or some other large auditorium. The leaders of all evangelical youth organizations in the United States will be given invitations to participate in this important convention.

The meeting adjourned in the early afternoon on September 20. There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee in New York on November 13.

Vincent Brushwyler Appointed General Director Of Newly Formed Society

EVANSTON, Ill., Sept. 20—The Board of Directors of the Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society met at the North Shore Hotel in Evanston to discuss and approve certain developments of this newly born organization. Dr. H. Theodore Taylor, of the Central Baptist Church in New York, and President of the Board, presided at all sessions.

Three mission fields were approved by the Board: Central India, French West Africa, and South America. As soon as the necessary arrangements are made, missionaries will be going out under the direction of the Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society. It is of remarkable significance that since its recent beginning more than $66,000 has been received to support the work, and the sending out of missionaries. These contributions come from churches who already carry a heavy missionary budget, yet added to their appropriation to support this new movement.

Rev. Vincent Brushwyler, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Muscatine, Iowa, has accepted the call to become the General Director of the Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society and will take over his new assignment on October 15th of this year. Mr. Brushwyler is the present director of the Iowa conference of the N.A.E. He is a graduate of Wheaton College and Princeton Theological Seminary and has had successful pastorates in the East and in his present church in Muscatine.

This newly-formed missionary society has accepted several new candidates to send out under their auspices:

Dora Lorraine Johnson, "missionary-in-waiting." Ruth Moya, "appointee - in - waiting." Tom Henry Major, Wyona Vanover, Ella Marie Langdon were also accepted as "candidates-in-waiting."

Texas Baptists Elect Music Director

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (RNS) Sept. 27—Election of a state secretary of music has been approved by the executive board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, it was disclosed during the first association-wide Baptist school of music here.

A statewide program of church music improvement is expected to be reflected in other local and associational music institutes throughout Texas. Further plans will be revealed at the state Baptist convention here, Nov. 11-16.

The San Antonio association's "week of music" featured classes in various types of worship music, including hymn analysis, and a course for departmental song leaders, conductors, and accompanists.

San Francisco To Be "Wide Open" On V Day

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 14 (RNS)—San Francisco will be "wide open" on V-Day despite the pleas of the clergy and representatives of the armed forces, who urged that every tavern in the city be closed for 24 hours the minute the "whistle blows for victory."

Chief of Police Charles Dullea agreed it would be a good thing, but said responsibility for such a move rested with George Reilly of the State Board of Equalization. Reilly replied that he was not in a position to request the tavern owners to close.

"That settles it," said Dullea, "the town will be wide open on V-Day."

Missionaries to Hold Book Conference

NEW YORK, Sept. 26 (RNS)—Denominational mission representatives, writers, librarians, and publishers will hold a four-day conference next March, sponsored by the Foreign Missions Conference, to discuss methods of improving the production and distribution of books overseas.

It is hoped that the conference will produce a more standardized procedure for establishing libraries, book stores, and bookmobile services in foreign countries. Preparation of simple books for the newly literate and for the social and economic improvement of mission peoples will be discussed.

Miss Ruth Ure of the Presbyterian Board of Missions is arranging plans for the conference. She will spend the next few months surveying existing denominational efforts to spread Christian literature in mission countries.

Tragic Jewish News From Europe

The Rev. Jacob Peltz.

"Our missionary in Budapest writes: 'Since my last letter, the situation in Hungary and Roumania has developed very badly. About 800,000 Hungarian Jews are being taken into concentration camps or being deported. In Roumania, several thousand formerly deported Jews have returned in most terrible conditions, some of them absolutely naked. We immediately sent there $4,000.00 as a first relief. Our missionaries are still at work but in great danger. May God keep and protect them.'"

This is only an inkling of the terrific suffering of Jews in Europe. How grateful we are to God that He has enabled us to rescue so many of the victims of Nazi cruelty. Funds are needed urgently to continue our work and prepare for the greater opportunities as soon as Europe is liberated from the Nazi yoke. We implore Christians to help us now before it is too late. Even a small gift will enable us to nourish refugees and continue our blessed Hebrew testimony amongst Christ's suffering brethren.

Note: Free booklets, "The Present Day Attempt to Destroy the Jews" or "The British White Paper and Palestine" gladly sent on request.

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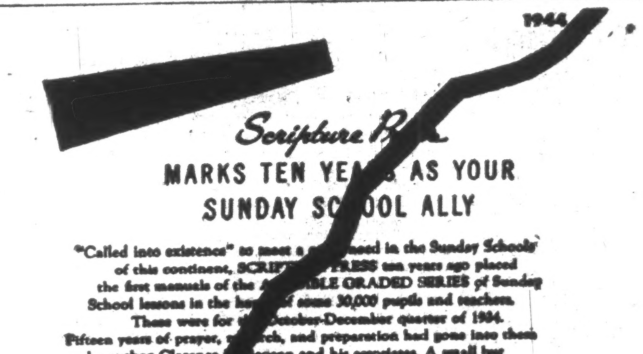

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Sunday School Convention To Be Held In Chicago

Loveless and Savage To Be Heard

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 26, Special Dispatch — Recognizing the importance of penetrating the modern American home with the Bible and Christian teaching, the Greater Chicago Sunday School Association, an interdenominational laymen's organization, has selected as the theme for its fifth annual city-wide convention, "Reaching the Home through the Sunday School."

This convention will be held Saturday, October 14, in Moody Memorial Church, the largest church auditorium in the city of Chicago. There will be two sessions, a methods conference in the afternoon opening at 2:30, and an evening inspirational rally at 7:30. A fellowship banquet will be held at 6:00 P. M. Nearly 200 Protestant churches, representing 20 denominations, are expected to participate.

Principal speaker for the evening rally and praise service is the Rev. Wendell P. Loveless, member of the faculty of the Moody Bible Institute and director of the Institute-owned radio stations WMBI and WDLM. Mr. Loveless is well known as a conference speaker, author, and gospel song writer. He was a Marine corps officer in the first World War. Several books have come from his facile pen, his latest publication being "Little Talks on Great Words."

Dr. H. H. Savage, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Pontiac, Mich., will address the afternoon conference. Dr. Savage is famed as a Sunday School organizer, having built up his own school to a membership of about 2,000, and established more than a score of branch schools. He is the founder and director of the Maranatha Bible Conference, at Muskegon, Mich.

An hour and fifteen minutes of the afternoon session will be devoted to simultaneous open forums covering all of the departments of Sunday School work. Directors of these discussion groups will include pastors and experienced Sunday School leaders from local churches.

The Greater Chicago Sunday School Association was organized five years ago by Protestant laymen who felt something had to be done to arrest declining Sunday School attendance. It was felt at that time that a revival of the old-time Sunday School convention, with all of its enthusiasm and inspiration, would help accomplish this purpose. These conventions have been successful from the start and each successive year has witnessed a steadily increasing response from local evangelical churches. Attendance at the first convention five years ago was about 600, last year nearly 2,000 persons attended.

During the past two years, Sunday School leaders in other cities —Detroit, Milwaukee, St. Paul, Denver, Des Moines—have caught the vision and are setting up similar organizations, using the Chicago association as their pattern.

Headquarters of the Greater Chicago Sunday School Association are at 100 West Chicago Avenue, Chicago 10, Ill. Christian V. Egemeier is the executive secretary of the Association.

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Bible Teachers Sought in North Carolina

CHARLOTTE, N. C. (RNS) Sept. 20—Appointment of more Bible teachers for the lower grades of public schools next year is being sought here by the interdenominational Bible in Schools Committee.

The committee, which at present employs four Bible teachers, plans to increase their number by appeals to church congregations. Churches are also being asked to select laymen who will educate members on the Bible instruction program. Salaries of teachers are paid by donations from church members.

Salvation Army Reinstated in Paris

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) Sept. 26—The Salvation Army in France, suppressed by the Petain government in January, 1943, has been "formally reinstated," according to a Paris Radio broadcast reported here by U. S. government monitors.

Climaxing a series of earlier measures aimed at its press and social work, complete dissolution of the Salvation Army in France was decreed by Chief of Government Pierre Laval on the pretext that its welfare organizations were not needed since the Vichy government had provided sufficiently for all such purposes.

Baptist Deacon Composes Song

QUINCY, Mass., Sept. 25—Mr. Ralph T. Whitney, deacon at the Central Baptist Church has written a song entitled "Victory" based on I John 5:4 and Eph. 2:8. This song is being introduced at the Central Baptist Church, where Rev. Clyde Taylor, newly elected secretary for missions of N. A. E., was the pastor. This song has been accepted by the publishers. Parties interested in securing this song are to contact him at his church.

Board of Trade Urges Thanksgiving on V-Day

NEW YORK (RNS) Sept. 24—Residents of New York City were called to "express reverence and thanksgiving" on V-Day in a resolution adopted here by the New York Board of Trade, on recommendation of its mercantile division.

GENEVA (By Wireless) (RNS), Sept. 25, 1944—Text of a joint protest against deportation of Jews sent to the Hungarian government by Reformed and Lutheran Church leaders has just reached here. The statement was signed by five Reformed and four Lutheran bishops and by the presidents of the general conventions of the two churches.

The statement brought a reply by the government that deportations have already ceased. Church leaders, however, charge that while the practice was said to have been suspended from the end of June, Jews are still mysteriously vanishing from their homes and uneasiness persists among both the Jewish population and Christian church officials.

The joint church declaration, addressed to the head of the Hungarian puppet government, was described by its authors as "the saddest we have yet had to make." It referred to statements by "leaders of worldwide Christianity" chiding the Hungarian church for not making public protest against anti-Semitic measures in Hungary, and warned that if the bishops' plea was not heeded they would be forced "to bear witness before our churches and before worldwide Protestantism."

The bishops' statement said, in part:

"On May 19, we sent you a statement expressing our uneasiness regarding the eventual deportation of Hungarian Jews to an unknown destination.

"Since then we know, from a reliable source, that wagons containing 70 to 80 Jews, Christians, and Orthodox, of both sexes and all ages and social position, are leaving the country daily, and disappear . . .

"God calls us to announce His Gospel to our contemporaries, and to bear witness to the unchangeable laws of the moral order He established. This mission confided to us by God is our authority for condemning every attack on the dignity of man, on justice, mercy, and everything that would cause our people to be judged for innocent blood shed.

"For the moment, we do not protest publicly, although leaders of worldwide Christianity accuse us and ask our reason for not doing so. But if this protest remains without effect, we shall be obliged to bear witness before our churches and before worldwide Protestantism that we have not kept silent regarding God's message.

"For the last time, we attempt to speak through you to the consciences of members of the government, asking them to associate themselves with this declaration, the saddest we have yet had to make."

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Five Service Men Enroll In Seminary In The Aleutians

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (RNS) Sept. 25—Chaplain Antony C. Halsell, who took time off from his army duties to found a Baptist church in Anchorage, said to be the first Baptist church in Alaska, is showing his ingenuity again. He now has formed an informal seminary in the Aleutians, with an enrollment of five service men who decided to enter the ministry while in army training.

Writing to the Arkansas Baptist, Little Rock denominational paper, Cpl. Abbott W. Whitmarsh described Chaplain Halsell's latest activity.

"Naturally this Aleutian seminary is no formal institution," he said, "but every chat, every conference, every chapel service has been a training session. From the chaplain's full experience in the Lord's work, much valuable information on techniques, principles, methods, etc. have been received. From listening to and chatting about his messages, much valuable help of a homiletical nature has been given."

Dr. Paul W. Rood Leader Of Union Campaign

MILACA, Minn., Sept. 25.—The armory in this city was the scene of a great series of evangelistic services during the past three weeks. Dr. Paul W. Rood, president of the World's Christian Fundamentals Association and member of the Board of National Association of Evangelicals was God's instrument for a refreshing revival. Scores were brought into the kingdom and multitudes blessed by his ministry. Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Steinbrun of Minneapolis conducted the music.

Clergymen to Serve Seasonal Workers

NEW YORK (RNS) Sept. 14—The Home Missions Council has announced the appointment of two ministers who will serve in an interdenominational capacity to imported seasonal workers in the United States.

The Spanish speaking Rev. Manuel Figueroa, formerly of the New York Mission Society, will work among Mexican nationals in railroad construction crew camps in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Long Island, N. Y. The Rev. J. L. Santiago-Cabera, Presbyterian missionary to Puerto Rico now on furlough in this country, will minister to a first contingent of imported Puerto Ricans at canneries in three New Jersey communities.

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Gospel Broadcasters Of Nation Organize; Moody Church Was Scene Of Conclave

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. [illegible]—Twen- y states were represented in the nstitutional Convention of Na- onal Religious Broadcasts held re today.

The gathering was representa- e of all denominations and of ery section of America. Sev- al of the network broadcasters ere represented. The sessions ere held at Moody Memorial urch throughout the day and ening.

The discussions were charac- rized by a marked unity of irit, and a determination of rpose to accomplish for all gitimate Gospel broadcasters e objectives which were set t in the by laws of the newly rmed organization, which are follows:

Article II—Objects

The objects of this Association all be to foster and encourage e broadcasting of religious pro- ams; to establish and maintain gh standards with respect to ntent, method of presentation, eakers' qualifications and eth- l practices to the end that ch programs may be constantly veloped and improved and that eir public interest and useful- s may be enhanced; to secure its members, and for other sons and organizations en- ged in broadcasting such pro- ms, adequate, fair and regu- access to the radio listening blic through the use of exist- and future broadcast stations networks, both aural and ual; to protect its members such other persons and or- nizations from being barred m such access, and from being justly or unreasonably sub- ted to injury, obstacle, restric- n or discrimination in obtain- and continuing to have such cess; and, in every lawful and per manner, to promote or op- e governmental laws and ulations and business customs practices according to ether or not they further or der the accomplishments of se objects.

A broad basis for membership the N.R.B. was set forth in the use on "Eligibility," which ds as follows:

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onsiderable discussion pre- ed the adoption of the organization's Code of Ethics, which reads as follows:

Appendix [illegible]

Code Of Ethics of the National Association Of Evangelical Broadcasters

Recognizing the vital and increasingly important role played by radio broadcasting as an agency of mass communication, vastly extending the potential audience of the church and the classroom, the National Association of Evangelical Broadcasters believes that the propagation of the Gospel by radio is essential to the religious inspiration, guidance and education of the public, to the enrichment of the national life, and to the full use of this blessing of modern civilization in the public interest. In furtherance of this belief and of its purposes to foster and encourage the broadcasting of religious programs, and

> "to establish and maintain high standards with respect to content, method of presentation, speakers' qualifications, and ethical practices to the end that such programs may be constantly developed and improved and that their public interest and usefulness may be enhanced,"

the Association has adopted, and each of its members has subscribed to, the following Code of Ethics:

Sponsorship of all programs broadcast by or in the name of the Association or any of its members shall be solely by a non-profit organization whose aim and purpose is the propagation of the Gospel.

The message disseminated in such programs shall be positive, concise and constructive.

The content, production and presentation of such programs, including both music and continuity, shall be consistent with the program standards of the station or the network over which they are broadcast, and with the requirements of all Federal and State laws and of all regulations of the Federal Communications Commission.

Persons engaging in the broadcasting of such programs shall, by prompt appearance, scrupulous conformity with the limitations imposed by physical, technical, and economic characteristics of radio, Christian courtesy, and otherwise, cooperate with the station or network management.

Appeals shall be of a bona fide character for legitimate religious purposes, and shall be presented in a dignified Christian manner. All donors shall be promply furnished with receipts.

Invitation for others to cooperate with this newly formed organization was voted, in the following resolution: "That this Association request the National Association of Evangelicals, the American Council, the World's Christian Fundamentals Association, and all other organizations of like faith to cooperate with this Association in the furtherance of the objectives of the Association."

The following were elected to office: William Ward Ayer, New York, President; Clinton Churchill, Buffalo, Vice President; Dale Crowley, Washington, Secretary; David J. Fant, Treasurer.

The Executive Committee and the Board of Directors will be announced later.

The first national convention will be held in the Stevens Hotel in Chicago, April 30 and May 1, 1945.

Negro Baptist Leader Says South Should Work Out Own Problems

DALLAS, Tex., Sept. 19 (RNS)—The white and Negro people of the South should be left alone to work out their own problems, Dr. D. V. Jemison of Selma, Ala., president of the National Baptist Convention, Inc., said in an address that drew many protests from the floor of the annual convention.

The statement by Dr. Jemison, elderly Negro leader, was the only controversial subject to arise after the convention had adopted a resolution to maintain its non-partisan stand in politics.

In closing statement, Dr. Jemison asked that the churches of the Nation make plans to be represented at the peace table when victory is won.

The Negro Baptists stacked in the aisles and overflowed to the grounds of the auditorium, forming at times a massive chorus of several thousand voices singing familiar religious songs. For the most part the convention was orderly, but at times it attained the crescendo of a huge revival meeting.

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Six-Principle Baptists Hold 274th Meeting

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Delegates were present from the Pennsylvania Conference including Rev. Garford Williams (a descendant of Roger Williams) of Nicholson, Pa., and the Revs. Carl Covey, and Arthur Pryce of Clark's Summit, Pa., who brought inspiring and challenging messages to the conference. Other speakers were the Rev. Walter B. Greene of Pawtucket, R. I., and the Rev. Arthur C. Lambourne, who was re-elected president for another year. Mr. Ray Barber of Wood River was elected vice-president, and Mr. Erving D. Matteson of Washington, R. I., was elected Clerk of the Conference.

The denomination is happy to be a member of the N. A. E.

Conference Has Successful Season; Buys Buildings

GULL LAKE, Mich., Sept 25. The Gull Lake conference has had a long and honorable record as a meeting place of those who love the Lord. The season this year was especially fruitful. Among the speakers were Dr. V. Raymond Edman, Dr. Carl Amerding, Dr. J. E. Conant, Mrs. Arthur Tylee, Rev. Nye J. Langmade, Dr. Simon Forsberg, Dr. Louis S. Bauman, Dr. Ernest W. Wadsworth, and Dr. Charles L. Feinberg. For the fifth season Mr. J. E. [illegible] directed the conference.

The property, which has been leased for many years, has now been purchased and extensive additions to buildings and equipment are in prospect.

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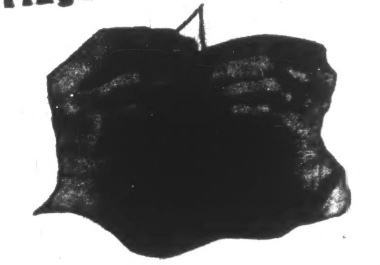

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Jewish Religious Life In Russia Shows Signs Of Revival

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MOSCOW, Sept. 18 (by wireless) (RNS)—Jewish religious life in the Soviet Union shows signs of widespread revival. Although certain "basic problems" persist in relation to the State, many points of conflict have already been settled. This was revealed here by Samuel Solomonovich Chobrutsky, chairman of the Moscow Jewish community, in an interview with Religious News Service.

The Jewish spokesman announced that plans are under way to resume publication of Jewish religious texts and to reopen synagogues in liberated areas. Questions expected to arise in the near future, he said, include the religious training of Jewish children and the establishment of a central training college for rabbinical students.

For the first time since the Revolution, 50,000 Jewish prayer books and 50,000 Jewish calendars will soon be printed, Mr. Chobrutsky declared. He displayed a letter written by his committee to Ivan V. Polyansky, head of the newly-organized State Council of Religious Cults, in which Jewish leaders specified their needs in response to an offer by the council to facilitate procurement of needed paper supplies.

Asked if more Jewish prayer books could be printed, the Jewish executive replied: "Absolutely. But we have no need for any more at this time. We still have an enormous reserve, and in our own synagogue — Moscow Choral — we have an accumulation of books which have not been used in years."

There are at present in Moscow, Mr. Chobrutsky said, four large synagogues, headed by Rabbis Solomon, Shleifer, Grande, Lewin, and Kesselberg. "More synagogues are opening all the time in my liberated regions," he added, "although their condition is very lamentable and most rabbis in these areas were murdered. Many rabbis were saved when the Soviet government evacuated hundreds of thousands of Jews from the border areas just before the German invasion."

All synagogues in the Soviet Union, Mr. Chobrutsky explained, are under the jurisdiction of the Moscow synagogue, but no nationwide conference has been held for many years, and the question of reviving such a conference is only now being considered.

Asked about the problems which Jewish leaders intend to raise with the committee on religious cults headed by Polyansky, the Moscow executive said:

"A basic question is the repair and reopening of synagogues in the freed areas. We have sufficient rabbis for all of them, and all we need is help in starting synagogues again after the vandalism committed by the Germans".

"Is it true," Mr. Chobrutsky was asked, "that no rabbis are being trained at present in the Soviet Union?"

"On the contrary," he replied, "in Central Asia we have a number of rabbinical schools located in such places as Merke, Djambul, and Bokhara, which are training rabbis all the time. The question of a central training college will probably arise in the near future and no objections are expected to be made."

Regarding religious training of children and youth in cheders (religious schools), Mr. Chobrutsky stated:

"Cheders are really not needed at present. Parents now teach children at home and no difficulties exist in this respect. In some instances, groups of children are taught in homes."

"The question of religious schools," he added, "has not yet arisen, and has not been raised with the government. But if other religious groups have such training, undoubtedly Jews will also have similar rights."

He revealed that, despite wartime difficulties, religious Jews have been assisted by Soviet authorities in the observance of ritualistic customs. During Passover, he said, the government met the needs of Jews by issuing matzoh ration cards, and in certain places, such as Sverdlovsk, provided wheat flour so that the Jewish community might bake its own matzohs. In certain areas where wheat flour was plentiful, matzohs were available without ration cards. Kosher butcher shops exist in the basements of synagogues in many cities for the slaughter of chickens according to Jewish ritual.

The Moscow Jewish community, Mr. Chobrutsky stated, maintains a special information bureau. It records include more than 258,000 cases of Jews who have sought aid in tracing relatives in the United States and other countries. Each day telegrams are sent to New York and elswhere on behalf of streams of applicants pouring into the bureau.

Southern Baptists to Hold 100 City-Wide Meetings

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Sept. 30 (RNS)—Plans have been completed to hold 100 city-wide meetings next March and April as part of the Southern Baptist Convention's Centennial Crusade in 1945, it was announced by Dr. M. E. Dodd, who is general director of the evangelistic campaign that will seek 1,000,000 new members for the Church.

With 2,500 churches involved in these simultaneous sessions, Dr. Dodd estimates that 250,000 baptisms should result.

A series of thirteen 15-minute transcribed dramas are being prepared, portraying the meaning and development of religious liberty in America and in the world, and will be ready early next year.

Simultaneous meetings in the 918 associations of the Convention are scheduled for March 6, sponsored by the state Sunday school departments and the Sunday School Board.

All-day services of contrition, confession, and consecration will be held on Sunday, Dec. 31, ending with a Watch Night service.

Six lines of action will be employed in the Centennial Crusade, emphasizing evangelism, enlistment, education, rehabilitation, stewardship, and benevolence. "Crowning a Century for Christ" has been chosen as the theme of the anniversary observance.

Organized in 1845 at Augusta, Ga., the Southern Baptist Convention now has 25,000 churches in 18 states with more than 5,000,000 members.

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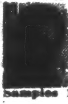

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Said Mrs. Ella A. Boole of Brooklyn, N. Y., 85-year-old world president of the WCTU: "Prohibition will be demanded by the nation's business leaders. Lack of it has become a financial headache to them."

Assailing the government's recent "liquor holiday," Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, retiring national president, charged that "some 250,000 tons of food products could have been used by the starving millions in war-ravaged countries from the 560,000,000 pounds of grains it took to make 50,000,000 gallons of liquor during the holiday period."

"The grains that brewers used," she said, "also would have made 10,000,000 loaves of bread."

Miss Regina Moede, general secretary of the Youth's Temperance Council, stressed the need for total abstinence among the country's young people, and declared that intemperance in youth is one of the greatest obstacles to a new and better world.

WCTU's wartime gifts include $7,125 for China orphan relief and $13,819 for American Red Cross mobile vehicles, Mrs. Margaret G. Munna, national treasurer, reported.

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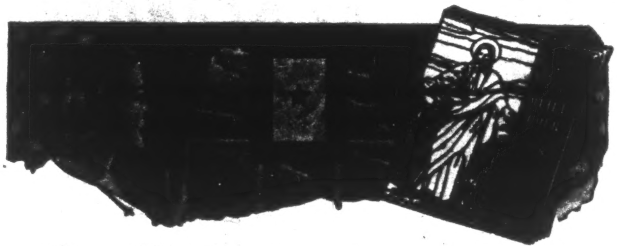

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Drs. Ockenga, Hager, and Shuler were the speakers at the First Annual Eastern Pennsylvania Evangelistic Conference held in the Arch Street Methodist Church, Philadelphia, September 20 through 24.

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A visitor to the conference from Larchwood, Iowa, Miss Mable E. Swanson said, "I think these meetings for reviving a spiritual return to God are needed to help the church to become alive. But they should not stay within the church, but should extend into the every-day business world."

Dr. W. Edward Jordan, Chairman of the Eastern Pennsylvania Evangelistic Conference gave as his comments on the meeting "We are all agreed that the Conference was abundantly worthwhile and that those who attended received a great blessing. One of the ministers of our city spoke of one of Dr. Ockenga's addresses as being the best address that he had heard in twenty years."

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The conference followed along the Boston plan, instituted in the Fall of 1943 at Park Street Church. There were sessions each morning at 10:30 for pastors and Christian workers addressed by one of the three speakers. A popular meeting at noon was very well attended by the business people of the city. Preceding the evening meeting at 7:30, Sunday School teachers and officers gathered together to listen to an inspiring address by either Dr. Ockenga, Dr. Hager, or Dr. Shuler. The evening meeting was an evangelistic service which witnessed the yielding of many hearts and lives.

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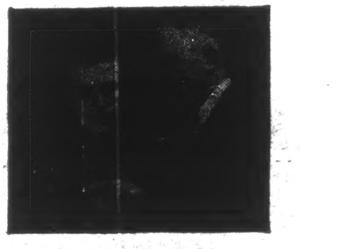

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By REV. W. E. COOK

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The present pastor, Rev. W. E. Cook, has been on the field since December, 1936. Under his leadership, the Church is branching out in all directions in mission work. One of the pastor's most effective works is with the juvenile delinquents, having many of them paroled to him from time to time. Another, is his officiating at the funeral services of many people who die without having aligned themselves with any Church. Another, is his work among the Negroes, being appointed as head of the First-Year Bible Department of the Southern Bible College — a Negro seminary newly organized in this city. He has led the church in conducting jail services each Sunday afternoon; and also Street Services at the Union Bus Station, where large numbers of tracts and gospels are distributed, especially to Service Men. The Church furnishes a room for use as an office by the Baptist Home Mission Board, and also a room used by two young Indian preachers each week-end, as they hold services for the Indian Church. We will appreciate the prayers of our brethren everywhere, for the ministry of this Church to these many types of people.

British Lord Calls For Great Public Debate On Separation Of Church And State

LONDON, Sept. 17 (by wireless) (RNS) — Asserting that popular support of the Church of England has been steadily declining, Lord Hinchingbrooke, conservative member of Parliament for South Dorset, declared in a speech at Hanley in Staffordshire that the time has arrived for "a great public debate" on the issue of separation of Church and State.

"Either the State must identify itself completely with the Church, and all bishops and clergy appointed and dismissed by a department of the government," Lord Hinchingbrooke said, "or else the State must cut itself off completely from the Church and the latter be given full self government with absolute control by churchgoers over appointments."

He charged that leaders of the Anglican Church have failed in their duty for the past 50 years, and called for the dismissal of "incompetent men who won't fight for their faith and ideals."

From time to time, clergymen and laymen in Britain have raised the question of church-state separation. Some months ago, the Archbishop of Canterbury took note of these efforts. In a public address, he deprecated any campaign for disestablishment of the Church of England, asserting that the problem is one for the State rather than the Church.

"The intricate problems involved," he said, "will mean tying up the energies of both Church and State in an effort to readjust the machine when all our concentration should be on the Church's real task."

Congregationalists Report Record Membership

NEW YORK (RNS) Sept. 25—With a total of 1,093,325 members, the Congregational Christian Churches have surpassed all previous figures in church membership, Dr. Frederick L. Fagley, associate secretary of the denomination's General Council, revealed here. A net increase of 15,539 was recorded over the previous year, he said.

Contributions to the local church amounted to $16,185,408, nearly one million more than the previous year. Benevolent giving totalled $2,914,311, or an increase for the year of $356,826.

Reporting a decline in church school enrollment of 78,845 to 504,331, Dr. Fagley gave two reasons for the losses, namely, the large number of young persons of church school age in the armed forces, and because the church school has been changing its emphasis.

In the past, he said, it was a meeting place for older persons as well as those of school age, but in recent years it has become a school with a closely graded curriculum planned for children and youth alone. For older persons, the church now provides other educational activities.

The number of churches showed a decline of 25, but 30 new churches were organized and 56 were merged or closed. With a larger total membership but fewer churches, the trend, evident for some years, is still in progress toward fewer but larger churches, Dr. Fagley said.

While the denomination has sent 358 pastors into military service as chaplains, the number of vacant churches increased only two over the previous year, because of the fact that a large number of ordained ministers not in the pastorate have returned to assist vacant churches during the war emergency.

N.A.E. Conference Held In Iowa

Shenandoah, Iowa, Sept. 13—N.A.E. was introduced to this section of Iowa in two mass meetings held at the Armory last Tuesday and at the First Methodist Church on Wednesday. Rev. R. L. Decker of Kansas City and Rev. R. R. Brown of Omaha were the speakers.

Estonian Refugees Meet In Sweden

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 15 (by wireless) (RNS)—Greetings from Swedish church groups were read at a conference of Free Church refugees from Estonia held at Andreas Church here.

Principal speaker was Pastor Marley, who was subsequently elected traveling secretary for the conference in Sweden. The clergyman recalled the sufferings of the Estonian people under German occupation, and declared that their position was still "dangerous." The conference was preceded by a prayer meeting and service.

Three leading Free Church associations in Sweden, it was announced, have organized special committees to assist refugees from Estonia, many of whom are of Swedish origin. One group has begun publication of an Estonian - language periodical, Koduman Haeaeled (Native Voice).

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Germans Close Norwegian Bible School

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 25 (by Wireless) (RNS)—German occupation authorities in Norway have closed the Methodist Bible School in Oslo on the pretext that there are "more important matters requiring the attention of young men. The authorities also referred to the school as an undesirable gathering place."

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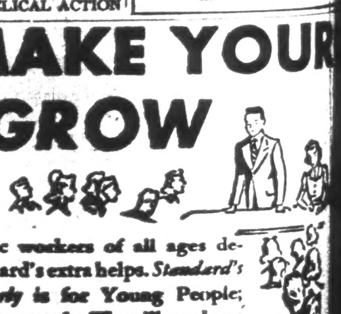

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German People Guilty, Must Face Consequence, Says Karl Barth

GENEVA, Sept. 20 (by wire-ss) (RNS) — The German peo-le are "in God's hands" and ust face the consequences of eir guilt, Dr. Karl Barth, inter-tionally known Swiss theo-gian, declared here in a mes-ge which attempts to define e tasks confronting the Church t the end of the war, especially garding the German people.

Dr. Barth said the German peo-le had "failed so terribly" be-use it had conducted a "strug-le against God" and thus "placed itself in the wrong on the human plane."

The German people, he asserted, must now "undergo the bitter experience that God, who forgives sins, does not allow Himself to be mocked, and that human insolence is not able to shake the throne of mercy. It must learn this meaning of the present experience, and meet the gracious God whom it wished to reject, but who does not allow himself to be rejected."

While insisting that Christians must recognize the guilt of the German people, he warned that they must not bear grudges after the "restitution and severe punishment" which will accompany Germany's defeat.

"When German military might is made harmless, it is not for us to judge again when God has already passed judgment," he stated. "It will be those who have been unreliable during the past years who will betray themselves in the future by not getting over their grudges."

The one-time professor in Bonn University, Germany, who was expelled in 1935 for refusing to take an oath of loyalty to Hitler, counseled that "Christians should not talk too quickly or too glibly about the common and equal guilt of all, but should recognize real distinctions in the realm of responsibilities and their inevitable consequences."

Stating that these distinctions cannot be blotted out "simply by a general pardoning and forgiving," he stressed, however, that "this must not prevent the Church from believing and professing that He who governs the world is a gracious God, who forgives sins."

"Amid present day happenings," Dr. Barth said, "it is the responsibility of the Christian Church to see that the word in which the deepest truth of the kingdom of God and Jesus Christ is set forth should not be suppressed, but clearly stated. That word is the forgiveness of sins . . .

"The German people are in God's hand, in the severe hand of a gracious God. After having had to resist them, we must take our stand on this certainty. That is what we will have to say to the Germans when we can talk with them again. We shall be unable to take their responsibility and its bitter consequences away from them. We will have to ask them not to try to disown that responsibility, not avoid its consequences."

Says Church Must Learn To Deal With Pressure Groups

(This article is printed without dorsement, as significant in-mation of interest to our con-tuency).

NEW YORK, Sept. 11 (RNS) — iticizing arguments for non-rticipation of the church in ial struggles, Dr. Liston Pope Yale Divinity School told the th Conference on Science, ilosophy, and Religion at Co-nbia University here that "if anized religion would exercise nificant influence on society it st learn to deal with pressures d pressure groups."

his criticism, Dr. Pope empha-d, was not intended to imply t religious organizations must come simply partisan in char-er. "There is profound truth their profession of univer-ism, and it contains an indis-sable social value," he ob-ved.

"Like government and like the ools," he said, "the institu-s or religion must in some e transcend all the pressure ups, teaching them all com-principles and standards by ch they must judge both nselves and their opponents, in terms of which society be held together."

t the same time, Dr. Pope ned, religious groups "need recognize their responsibility the issues that arise between tending social factions and to lement their principles of ice by giving condemnation support to particular groups policies in concrete situa-."

o achieve this purpose, he , religious organizations t find ways of expressing own collective life and pro-ic traditions in the struggle een opposing interests."

. Pope suggested that re-us organizations could prob-act most effectively through mediary organizations, such ocial action committees em-ered to act quickly and speci-ly, or, as the Roman Catholic ch has, through political ies and trade unions of their creation "though such in-ments are less feasible in rica than in some other tries."

is difficult and dangerous ive blanket endorsement to particular pressure group," dded. "The churches might with the National Associa-of Manufacturers on its op-ion to conscription of man-r but disagree on its taxation program; they might agree with labor on the need for an annual wage but disagree with labor's restrictive policies on occasion."

As a result, Dr. Pope said, it is important to establish agencies "which are highly flexible in character and able to make the influence of religion felt in successive moments as conditions and constellations of pressure groups change."

Record Throngs At Ontario Bible Conference

Fair Haven, N. Y., Sept. 23—The Ontario Bible Conference was in session Aug. 6-13. The attendance was the best in its history. The largest all-week crowd included 250 young people. Double servings in the dining hall were necessary.

The speakers included Dr. Bob Jones, Jr., Dr. Paul S. James, Rev. Ralph E. Stewart, and Dr. James E. Mallis. Rev. William H. Roberts is president and busi-

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COOPERSTOWN, N. D. (RNS) Sept. 22—A varied program which featured a Junior Bible Camp and a Daily Vacation Bible School in addition to the regular conference services marked the twentieth season here. The principal speakers were Mr. R. G. LeTourneau, Rev. Armin Gesswein, and Rev. Peter MacFarlane. Rev. Roy Newlin, pastor of the 52nd Street Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., had charge of the music.

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Southern Baptists Expand Home Mission Staff

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 21 (RNS) —The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has announced the appointment of eight new missionaries in the Southwest and elsewhere. This marks the greatest expansion of the mission staff since the war, recent appointments having been made individually and usually as replacements.

Two of the new appointees, according to Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary-treasurer, will work exclusively with Mexicans in San Antonio and Corpus Christi, Texas. In addition, 25 kindergarten workers have been assigned to serve among Mexicans in Texas.

Other missionaries will work among French-speaking Baptists in Louisiana; superintend city missions in Springfield, Mo.; direct a mission center in Baltimore and also carry on Negro mission work there; and serve workers in Walker County, Ala., center of the state's coal industry.

Detroit Has First Protestant High School

DETROIT, Mich., Sept. 17 (RNS) — Sponsored by more than 30 congregations affiliated with the Lutheran Synodical Conference of North America, the first Protestant church — supported general high school has been opened here. A former real estate office in the central part of the city was converted into class rooms for about 100 students, and is known as Detroit Lutheran High School.

Predicts Gifts Of $1,500,000 To Baptist Missions

ATLANTA, Ga. (RNS) Sept. 22. With contributions running 32 per cent ahead of last year for the first eight months of 1944, Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, predicted that total receipts for the year may reach $1,500,000. Up to Sept. 1, $904,027.88 had been received, he said.

Dr. Alfred Carpenter, the Board's superintendent of camp work, reported that more than 1,100 Baptist pastors are serving as chaplains.

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Gil Dodds Runs in Exhibition Race for the Spreading of Gospel in Northwest

By HORACE F. DEAN

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 29 — Uniting our forces for a intensified Gospel ministry, the Christ For America Movement and the Montana Gospel Crusade have just completed a thrilling campaign with telling results. By using a Gospel team built around Gil Dodds, the world champion miler, many doors normally closed to the Gospel were opened; every advantage was taken for God's glory.

Gil ran in two exhibition races, the first at the Montana State Teachers' College at Bozeman, in a two mile cross-country against 200 Air-Reserve Corps boys under 18 years. The second was at the great Midland Counties Fair in Billings before 10,000 persons in the stands. The prize in both cases was merely an opportunity for Gil to speak, and this was granted. What a thrill to hear this wholly consecrated young man exalt the Lord Jesus Christ! At Helena, the capital of Montana, 25 young people came out openly for Christ, including a dozen Navy men in training at Carroll College. At Miles City, nearly 30 young men in the industrial school there openly accepted Christ. At Lewistown, 14 others, and in many other places we also witnessed visible results.

Using Billings as a hub, our first swing followed the Northern Pacific railroad, reaching the larger cities to the west and north. Returning to Billings, our second week took us to the east and north, along the Great Northern line. Our final meetings were held in the central areas and north central towns of Wyoming. In all, 16 key cities and towns were reached. Thirty-seven meetings were held, 17 of which were aired by radio. An estimated 20,000 persons heard the message directly, whereas possibly as much as 40% of the whole population of Montana and adjoining states were reached by radio. Stations ranging in size from little 100 "watters" to 5000 "watters" outdid themselves in offering free time. The local newspapers in most of the cities went all out, and this publicity, supported by our posters, billboards, and handbills, aroused the crowds and brought them into our meetings.

Many, we believe, were saved, and deep conviction came to others. Still, irreligion for the most part characterizes the whole area. Romanism grips the people in the larger cities, and what little spiritual tendency is not embraced by Catholicism, has been blighted by so called liberalism. The educational system is largely controlled by the unbelieving, who have foisted their behavioristic teachings on generations of young people. We met fifteen-year olds who openly avowed their positive unbelief in God and the Bible.

It is evident that the people have come to this area for gold or its equivalent, not for God. Hard, indifferent, disinterested, they and the whole northwest offer a real challenge to God's people. But God is working here. There are 25 or 30 men scattered over the area who are faithfully pastoring small flocks. We covet your prayers for these men, and the follow-up work among those saved during this crusade. Men and women of rugged nature and strong faith are needed in this area. Pray for them, and for the young people here, that this crusade may have lasting results in their lives.

Opportunities in Russia Great

CHICAGO, Sept. 20 (Special dispatch). "We have noticed a great spiritual revival in all corners of our nation" so reports the Rev. Peter Deyneka, General Director of the Russian Gospel Association. "New believers were added to the church through baptism" write Gospel preachers laboring in the U.S.S.R.

Again, a cablegram dated August 22, 1944 received from Moscow reads "$200.00 received. Very grateful. With fraternal greetings." M.O., I.I., A.K.

All of this indicates greater freedom to carry on the work of the Lord in Russia. Now we can send financial support to the Russian Gospel preachers! Help them to further the Gospel cause! Now is the time to help evangelize Soviet Russia through the national preachers. Your prayer and financial help now are greatly needed.

We continue to carry the missionary work on in twelve other countries. Two Russian Bible schools are being maintained, one in Toronto and the other in Rosario, Argentina. All instruction is in the Russian language. We are ministering over three radio stations in the Russian language; print thousands of tracts and papers in the Russian language; sending new missionaries—others are ready to go!

Several Russian and Ukrainian missionaries are engaged in the U. S. and Western Canada through the Home Department.

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Mayor Fiorello La Guardia Plans Prayerful V-Day

NEW YORK (RNS) Sept. 25—Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia's plans for New York City's observance of V-Day emphasize a thanksgiving celebration to be marked by opening churches of all denominations to the public for prayers of gratitude.

"There is one thing that we should not do and must not do," the Mayor said. "That is, to indulge in orgies of hilarity, in all sorts of demonstrations that are disorderly and destructive, for the war is not over. Even after we have defeated Hitler and conquered Germany there are still our boys in the Pacific."

Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish clergy, he disclosed, have agreed unanimously with his plan to devote V-Day to thanksgiving and rejoicing "in a sublime sort of manner that the enemies of religion, the dictators and cruel men have finally been defeated."

The Mayor said that he had received letters from the mayors of many American cities indicating that they are looking to New York to set the keynote for V-Day celebrations.

Sunday School Leaders, Attend Bible Teaching Clinic

CHARLOTTE, N. C. (RNS) Sept. 25—More than 500 Baptist Sunday School leaders from several Southeastern states participated in a "Better Bible Teaching Clinic" here, sponsored by the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board and directors of Sunday school work in North Carolina, South Carolina, George, Mississippi, Florida, and Alabama.

Chamber of Commerce to Sponsor Religious Rally

OMAHA, Neb., (RNS) Sept. 23—Emphasizing that V-Day should be one of prayer instead of celebration, the Chamber of Commerce here has made plans fo a religious and patriotic rally a Omaha's largest theatre when th war ends.

The Omaha Ministerial Union has recommended that services be held at 8 P.M. on V-Day and the City Council has voted to ba the sale of liquor in the city fo 24 hours after news of Allied victory is received.

Quakers Plan Food Shipment To Marseilles

PHILADELPHIA (RNS) Sept. 22—Plans have been made h by the American Friends Servi Committee to send a shipment o foodstuffs to Marseille, Fran Word has just been received fro Eleanor T. Cohu, a member of th staff of Secours Quaker, that foo reserves in Marseille would be ex hausted by the end of Septembe

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ates Seek Action To Curb venile Delinquency

YORK, Sept. 2? (RNS)— s of recent developments ries that state action to [illegible] e efforts to cope with the s of juvenile delinquency e advocated on a broad next year, when 45 state tures convene in regular n.

ch groups in many localities ll be among the organizations ctively interested in such als.

ida's Legislature will be to consider a standard juvenile court law, and a special ttee of the Florida Probation Association was recently to prepare such legislation.

roposed youth correction improve the handling of linquency problem is expected to be submitted to the sota Legislature next year. d by a committee of the sota State Bar Association. oposed act would establish ion of the parole board to all youths convicted of a or gross misdemeanor and [illegible] would be [illegible] [illegible]. The division of the board then would determine what treatment should be administered. The measure would apply to youths up to the age of 23. It was explained that the limit, rather than 21 years, was selected "in order to cover youths who will be returning from the armed forces."

There are indications that similar legislation will be proposed in other states. Widespread interest has been attracted by California's law providing for the creation of youth correction authorities to work out means of curbing delinquency and develop programs for the rehabilitation of offenders.

Currently obtaining "facts and recommendations concerning the problem of juvenile delinquency" in Maine is a three-member committee named by the Maine State Youth Guidance Committee. It hopes to submit a report on the problem to Governor Sumner Sewall by Nov. 1.

Action and proposals this year to curb delinquency indicated a trend toward imposition of greater responsibility on parents. One of several evidences of this was the adoption of a new Michigan juvenile court code which [illegible] and [illegible] the state's law affecting juveniles and provides for contempt citations for parents ignoring court orders for the proper rearing of delinquent children. It also requires parents to confer with school authorities concerning children who habitually skip school.

Meanwhile, many municipalities have been making notable progress through local efforts. An outstanding example was the recent disclosure that a concerted attack on child crime by Baltimore courts and officials cut that city's juvenile delinquency rate 25 per cent the first half of the current year.

The Baltimore program included: Effective work of a juvenile protective bureau of the city police department; court action against parents whose behavior directly causes delinquency; work of a court staff including a physician, a psychiatrist, and 11 probation officers, and work of the Baltimore Youth Commission in supplementing activities of local, civic, and social agencies, churches, and schools.

Scottish Churches Reopened In Paris And Brussels

LONDON (By Wireless) (RNS) Sept. [illegible]—Among English-speaking churches reopened in liberated cities on the continent are the Scottish churches in Brussels and Paris.

Services marking the rededication of the Paris church were conducted by the Rev. Donald Caskie, who was arrested by the Germans four years ago and has seen the inside of six concentration camps and prisons.

Bells of the Scottish church in Brussels were rung to welcome invading British troops. Deserted during the German occupation, the church was virtually undamaged and persons in the neighborhood quickly made it ready for use.

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ds Churches Prepare r Resumption Of ork In Philippines

YORK (RNS) Sept. 26— China and India, the great r responsibility of Ameri- rches lies in the Philippines, A. Moore, executive secretary of the Church Committee lef in Asia, told the Philippine Committee of the Foreign Conference at its fall here.

Moore said that his committee had allocated $50,000 for pair of war-damaged in the Philippines, but "a trivial sum," he in- "for devastation and dis- used by our own planes guns will be great in-

hes, he added, may expect eir relief funds for direct Philippine churches and communities, since gov- agencies wil undoubtedly the general civilian relief program.

The committee heard that if the Philippines were to reopen for missionaries at the present time, less than 25 missionaries would be ready for immediate assignment to this field. It was decided to send an urgent request to denominational mission boards of the Foreign Mission Conference for immediate training of missionaries to the islands. Until recently, it was said, it had been assumed that the Philippine missions would be among the last to reopen.

The committee proposes to establish a training center, to be in operation by midwinter, for the Philippine assignees.

A drive will also be launched for 250,000 new and used books for Christian colleges, universities, and training schools in the islands to replace libraries destroyed by the Japanese invaders.

ang Kai-Shek Invites sionaries To Lay ritual Bases Of New China

ADELPHIA, Sept. 21 (RNS) W. Y. Chen of Chungking the Study Conference on Planning for China here sident Chiang Kai-Shek o inform the church of that when the war is over he wants missionaries to lay the spiritual bases of a new China.

"Missionaries are to come," he said, "not as guests but as our comrades, working together for the revival of the Chinese people and the peace of the world."

ist Women Restoration amily Altars

HOMA CITY, Okla. ept. 26—Restoration of ltars was urged in a adopted here by the Woman's Missionary Union of the Baptist Convention. ajor objectives of the include total abstinence oholic drinks, Christian e of Sunday, improved conditions, child welfare, lic health, and interracial and international justice peace.

ciples for lasting peace ciated by Dr. Theodore , pastor of the First hurch at Richmond, Va. ints were: No isolationmocratic world, a world for peace, Christian tions, economic opportunity r all, and universal rerty.

E. Dodd, former president Southern Baptist Convention and director of the Centennial Evangelistic Crusade to gain one million converts during 1945, asserted that "American social life is becoming paganized, its political life brutalized, its educational life materialized, and its religious life standardized."

"America," he added, "must be evangelized if these wrongs are to be corrected."

Members of the Women's Missionary Union contributed $715,-423 for missionary work during the missionary work during the past year, Miss Kathleen Mallory, executive secretary, reported.

Evangelistic Schedules

Albert Peterson
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Nov. 1—19, Ottumwa, Iowa.
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The Challenge of the Unoccupied Fields in Africa

An address given at the Calvary Independent Church, Lancaster, Pa.

By RALPH T. DAVIS

Field Director, Africa Inland Mission

The subject that we are to consider together in special manner this afternoon — "The Challenge of the Unoccupied Fields in Africa"—is particularly intriguing. It always has been, it always shall be; for you and for me, however, never more so than at the present moment.

The thought is prevalent, I am sure, that we should launch immediately into a careful consideration of the areas of distant lands where the name of Jesus has never yet been carried and where benighted souls still wait to hear for the first time that God loves them and that Christ died for them. That there are many such areas is very evident and is an accepted fact. My firm belief, however, firmer today than ever before, is that the greatest tract of unoccupied area is in the hearts of God's own here at home. Whereas the spiritual battle in far-off lands may press to Satan's strongholds, the ever-weary, short-handed staffs from these shores may press on to new territory, and the native evangelists may go continually farther afield as foreign missionaries, we may likely lose out at home.

When many of the country's leading Bible teachers in evangelical circles meet in a great conferepce on prophetic study and one listens almost in vain for any mention of the carrying of the Gospel to the lost, which is practically the one and only thing the born-again believer can do about the fulfillment of prophecy; when one scans the leading evangelical institutions of our lands and senses the indecision for future action even among those who are soon to graduate; when one looks out over the churches of the land and sees hundreds of young people who are willing to go where God sends them, even to the regions beyond, but so few who are will-full; when even in the Foreign Missions Fellowship and similar circles (and how we thank God for them), we find in many instances so few who are really headed for the foreign field compared to the many who have declared an interest in such things; when, the country over, hundreds will flock to some popular meeting or to hear someone speak on the antichrist or the alligament of the nations, and only a handful, if any, show up to the missionary prayer meeting—and then it is a subject below the dignity of most men and is left to the women; when—but why go on? Yes, we are convinced that here at our doors is the very greatest untouched area. We may wage the war in distant lands but go to pieces at home. This demands our attention immediately and the remedy calls for our concerted action.

This unoccupied field is one that those of us who are gathered here today may enter and enter now. Pastors and Bible teachers should make more definite study of the full missionary program of God and give it a place in their ministry. Students should realize that every passing moment is valuable and that they have no time to be occupied in merely good things, but that they should be pursuing the best. All of us should be more careful of our manner of presenting the missionary challenge, and if volunteers are called for, see that we do not permit the constant letting down of the appeal until nearly any one on any kind of a decision may stand; better two are will-full and who will mean business than two hundred who rest complacently on the fact that they are willing and who remain at home entangled in secondary things. Prayer should be made by all more fervently regarding the conquests of God's choice ones in the things that really count, even as Paul prayed for the Philippians "that they may prove things that excel." All of this calls for renewal and concerted action. Enter more effectively this unoccupied field here in the hearts of all of us here at home, and the remaining unoccupied areas in distant lands will soon be claimed for Christ.

There is unreached area in the country and the specific field which I have the honor to represent. Several letters of late from various areas of our Africa Inland Mission sphere speak of peoples yet to be reached in the continent of Africa. Of late, some have been touched, but oh, so few! We can still say concerning our forces and the forces of all African societies—"What are these among so many?" From this very church, Alice Landis, now Mrs. John Schellenberg, is entering new territory. She and her husband are the first to effectively enter a territory of some 200,000 people. Unless others join them soon, most of the area will still be unoccupied. Sixty thousand to 80,000 in our Uganda field still await the gospel. Several tribes numbering 60,000 or more each to the east of some of our Tanganyika stations yet remain in spiritual darkness, and no ray of light has been taken out to them. The peoples in the forest of the Congo are even yet in far greater need of the Light of Life that has not shined in their souls than they are of the sunlight which rarely penetrates the thick tropical forest. Peoples yet awaiting the good news of salvation in our area probably number some few millions of souls, and tribes already reached have been in no wise adequately evangelized. In Africa as a whole, probably some 70,000,000 still wait to hear the name of Jesus for the first time. The Mohammedan field is one surely far from being occupied. Of this field, it can be said that we have but touched the fringes. An increasing number of specially prepared workers for this work should be forthcoming at once or even the occupied fields may stand in danger of serious difficulties and setbacks.

The shifting of missionary effort may very likely present to us now unoccupied territory. In ever increasing measure the body of native believers, especially those who are to be leaders, need and desire adequate instruction in the Word of God. The mission field has enjoyed already the ministry of those who serve in Bible Schools, but there is urgent need for us to occpy far more of this territory. There is less glamor to a Bible teaching ministry than to pioneer work, but in a reasonable amount of time the one who has taught in a Bible School will have entered more unoccupied territory in the person of others whom he has taught in the Word than one who has entered unoccupied territory on his own feet.

There still remains much land to be possessed. Brethren, pray for us, and may we say anew, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"

The Bible On The Battlefront

Issued as a result of the [illegible] emphasis of the Nationwide Bible Reading from Thanksgiving to Christmas by the American Bible Society.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Oct. 6—The Bible has been one of the great morale builders of the war. This observation is based on the personal testimony of fighting men and chaplains, received unsolicited by the American Bible Society which has distributed the Scriptures without charge to American service men in every war since the Mexican War of 1846-1848.

The water-soaked pocket Testament from which Sergeant John F. Bartek read aloud to Captain Eddie Rickenbacker and the other survivors of a wrecked plane, while they were helplessly adrift in the Pacific for three terrible weeks is now in the possession of the Freehold, New Jersey, Library. Today every life raft and life boat of the United States Navy and Merchant Marine carries a New Testament in a waterproof packet along with its life-saving equipment.

War correspondents reported that as our men moved across the Channel towards the French Coast on D-Day, many a soldier read his pocket Bible and found courage in its pages.

Man's ingenuity has devised strange ways to bring word of God to those in combat areas. One soldier in a letter to the Chief of Chaplains wrote:

"We were under artillery fire and a church service was out of the question. But being quite a determined man, the Chaplain solved this by sending a message together with several Testaments to the various foxholes. The message requested us to read several verses in the Testament, then pass the note and the book on to the next foxhole. We didn't go to church; the church that cold, windy Sunday came to us. In view of what lay in store for us the next week, I appreciate now these few verses from the Scriptures."

This year, United States Chaplains have asked the American Bible Society for 400,000 full Bibles. These are not given out indiscriminately. Every man who wants one must ask his Chaplain for a pocket complete Bible. 1,500,000 Testaments and 1,500,000 Scripture portions are the estimated needs for the armed forces for the year.

The Society doesn't quail at such an order. It is used to it. It now prints and distributes Bibles in nearly 200 languages and dialects for the people of more than 40 countries. Prisoners of war in Axis camps and our own are supplied with Bibles and Testaments in 40 languages. Since July 1, 1940, 6,000,000 Bibles, Testaments and Gospels have been distributed to the armed forces.

Many a service man who never looked at a Bible in peace time now cherishes his pocket edition as a prime possession along w snapshots of his family and hi girl. A marine, 4000 miles fr home, wrote his mother about hi feelings after he'd read the New Testament for the first time.

"A while ago—a chaplain, swel guy, just like one of us, gave m a New Testament . . . been reading the first book, Matthew, gre stuff . . . Guess, if you come ri down to brass tacks, this is wh really matters in life; this is wh we ought to be fighting to protec this way of living."

Chaplain G. W. Friedrich of th Navy, stationed near the Arcti Circle, described how the me read their Testaments "at th bunks, aboard ship and on t train." A 19 year old lad in t Canadian Air Force, shot do somewhere over Germany, a interned at Stalag IV, receive Bible from the Geneva office the American Bible Society, became so interested that started an informal Bible clas

Captain Charles R. Showa of Wabash, Indiana, is the p of a B24 Liberator bomber in South Pacific. While home on lough, Captain Showalter told local reporter, "I never went on mission out there (he went on 5 without my pocket Bible. I've rea it eight times, I guess, as a matte of fact, religion takes on mo meaning for all the men who a in combat."

A naval officer who took pa in the battle of Kula Bay, de scribing his experiences, said: " went to my room and hit the sa for three hours, and read m Bible. I read the 23d and the 9 Psalms over and over . . . 'Th shalt not be afraid for the terr by night. A thousand shall fa at thy side, and ten thousand a thy right hand, but it shall n come nigh thee . . .' When I we on deck, I saw men thumbi worn pages of their little Bibl Toughened old seadogs, veter of many battles and many a cr game, were unashamedly pra ing."

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Oswald Smith To Hold Campaign In Eastern City

WORCESTER, Mass., Oct. 9—The Christian Conservative Fellowship of central Massachusetts will hold an Evangelistic and Victorious Life conference in this city from October 29 through November 12.

Dr. Oswald J. Smith, pastor of the People's Church in Toronto, Canada, will be the guest speaker. He will be assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Franklin MacKeown who will be in charge of the music of the campaign, and also by Rev. and Mrs. Elbert T. Tindley, nationally known evangelistic singers.

Noon-day meetings will be held on Tuesday through Friday of each week at the Salem Square Congregational Church, from 12:00 to 1:00 P. M. Sunday services at 2:30 and 7:00, as well as the week-night meetings at 7:30 will be held at the First Presbyterian Church. Meetings will be held daily except Saturday.

Enrollment At Wheaton Tops Other Years

WHEATON, Ill., Oct. 10—While most schools were lamenting the fact that war days have brought depleted enrollments, Wheaton College has had no such problem. Applications for admission far exceeded housing facilities this year; over seven hundred young people had to be turned away.

The enrollment at Wheaton reached the total of 1,130; there are 780 women students and 350 men. In normal times there have been more men than women on the campus.

Among the 350 male students is a large majority of 17-year olds who are securing pre-induction training before going into the Armed Forces. Six men, medically discharged from the service, are continuing their education under the G. I. Bill of Rights. The number of theological candidates is smaller than usual, some of them doing graduate work.

Shannon and Guido To Conduct Denver Campaign

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 4—Evangelists W. W. Shannon and Michael A. Guido are scheduled for a two week's evangelistic campaign in the Central Presbyterian Church in Denver, commencing October 22. They are members of the extension staff of Moody Bible Institute and have held successful campaigns in many cities.

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HELBY, N. C., Oct 10—On ober 1, Dr. Zeno Wall began twentieth year at the First tist Church in Shelby. These teen years have been marked growth, spiritually and nu- ically. The present church ding was erected during this , and all phases of the work been greatly developed.

the nineteen years of Dr. l's ministry in Shelby, the bership of the First Baptist rch has grown from 763 to than 2300. A total of more 3000 have united with the rch, 1250 of them coming by ession and baptism, making an age of 158 for each year.

everal great soul-winning re- ls and a number of spiritual asis periods have been held this time. The whole period been characterized by a per- al spirit of revival and of y.

lans are being made by Dr. l and the members of his rch for the establishment of own Christian College. A of $200,000 in contributions been set, and almost reached. is expected that contributions far exceed this goal.

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N. A. E. in Roanoke, Va.

Rev. Melville Hatcher Addresses Meetings

ROANOKE, VA., Oct. 4—Mr. Frank A. Eades, President of the National Christian Laymen's Evangelistic Association was host to Rev. Melvilie G. Hatcher, Secretary for Evangelism of N.A.E., over the past week end. An informal gathering of church leaders was held at the Y.M.C.A. on Saturday evening at which Mr. Hatcher answered many questions regarding the organization and the present need of uniting evangelicals of all denominations in a front against apostasy.

On Sunday morning Mr. Hatcher taught the Sunday School lesson at the Belmont Methodist Church. He was also the speaker at the regular morning service of the Mount Pleasant Methodist Church.

Sunday evening Mr. Hatcher addressed a large audience at the Belmont Baptist Church. Mr. Eades reports a growing interest in N.A.E. in Roanoke.

ev. O. W. Stucky as 85 Conversions Indiana Church

ETROIT, Mich., Oct. 3—Most the summer was occupied in ply work in Detroit churches. opening autumn campaign in the First Baptist Church Hobart, Ind. Eighty-five souls e led to Christ. Eight thousand pters of the Bible were re- ed to have been read by mem- of the audience during the paign. An "Around the Clock yer Fellowship" brought great ssing and inspiration.

Spiritual Awakening in Bellingham

Dr. Joe Henry Hankins Leads In City-Wide Revival

BELLINGHAM, Oct. 2 — The Bellingham Branch of N. A. E., a mere handful of men, had been meeting for nearly eighteen months in an every week prayer meeting looking to God for guidance in plans for a strong citywide evangelistic series that would set the little city of Bellingham talking of Christ and win men and women to Him. There were only a few at the start who caught the vision and prayed through to faith for the plan of renting the large High School auditorium seating 1800, and inviting Dr. Joe Henry Hankins of Pine Bluff, Ark., as evangelist, with "The Happy Clarks" of Philadelphia to direct the music of the campaign. The plan seemed fantastic for so few, and with no money in sight.

However, faith worked in the dark and very soon committees were formed for publicity, finance, personal work, music and prayer. The budget loomed like a mountain, but faith kept saying, "God can." As the handful of men went forward, God was also working until fifteen ministers of the city pledged their cooperation.

A well planned advertising campaign was carried out weeks in advance, prayer groups were organized and every detail was covered in advance. The series opened on Sunday night with an encouraging attendance. Faith was tested during the early part of the first week. Offerings were not keeping pace with budget requirements. At a called meeting of the executive committee, ways and means of raising the funds were earnestly discussed, resulting in the decision to simply believe God. God had led in ordering the campaign, He would meet the need. The expenses were over $2200—but by the last Thursday night of the series a special praise service was held as the entire amount still needed was placed in the offering.

The closing week was thrilling as the large auditorium kept filling, until on Sunday afternoon and night, the place was practically filled.

Dr. Hankins preached with the holy zeal of the Old Testament prophets. His messages were keyed to the Word of God. His themes were Christ centered. Scores were dealt with in the inquiry rooms in the midst of old fashioned weeping and confession of sin. The campaign turned into a revival. The skilled and spiritual ministry in music of the "Happy Clarks" (Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Clark) added greatly to the meetings.

The cause of Evangelical Christianity reached a new high in Bellingham with this "best campaign since Billy Sunday." The nightly radio broadcasts took the services out to thousands of listeners, some of whom assisted with contributions and prayer.

The little group of Christian leaders in Bellingham believe that such campaigns can be repeated over the entire nation when ministers and laymen get down to the business of working together with prayer and consecrated zeal.

British Society Prints Bible In 761 Languages

LONDON (By Wireless) (RNS) October 2—The British and Foreign Bible Society reports that that three new languages were added during the past year to the number in which the Scriptures are published. Scriptural texts are now printed in 761 languages.

Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends To Join N.A.E.

PORTLAND, Ore. (RNS), Oct. 4.—Action was taken at the Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends to apply for membership in N.A.E. The organization has 3601 members.

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PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Oct. 6 — Mr. Horace F. Dean, Chairman of Christ for America, is in receipt of a moving appeal from a godly chaplain, now in France, which will be of interest to our readers.

"As mothers and fathers of servicemen from whom you are separated, for whom you pray by day and by night, news from whom you anxiously and fearfully await with your heart in your throat, you are learning from the Heavenly Fathey the meaning of parenthood.

"Some of your men and sons will return crippled in body and perverted in mind, weakened in will, and worst of all, diseased in spirit. Some of you will have only memories.

"For four busy and heartbreaking years as a chaplain I have tried to be Pastor, Parent, and Brother to American servicemen. With my own eyes I have seen hundreds become children of God and begin living for Christ in most difficult surroundings. I have seen the glorious results of Christian training as hundreds of men and officers, by the grace of God, demonstrated the Spirit of Christ in the camps. These things keep me alive and encouraged in service for my Lord.

"On the other hand, I have seen hundreds of men disintegrate in body, mind, and soul on the very brink of Hell. We stand helplessly by and watch with horror and amazement as men and officers sell themselves to Hell and drag their companions with them. I know and you know the cause of their moral failure. As parents, many are guilty before God and man. My pity goes out to all such, and indeed, any person needs pity as he faces these evil days without God.

"There are no more tears left in my heart to shed for these men. There is only a dead ache which grows steadily more intense as the days and men pass in review. The faces of men without spiritual hope, as they tramp on and on and out to eternity, make me speechless with amazement.

"Your Gethsemane and mine will be useless unless we 'Seek of Him a right way for us, and for our little ones, and for all our substance.' (Ezra 8:21)

"My dear friends, place no value on anything you have or on anything anybody else has unless it directly or indirectly contributes to the Christian training of your children and those of your neighbors. It is too late to give this training to millions. They will have to blunder their confused way through this hellish age without God and without spiritual equipment which should have been given them around a family altar.

"Regardless of what it may bring you—ridicule, social ostracism, persecution, or death, build and maintain a family altar now. You have no right to sleep or eat with children in your home untaught in the ways of Christ, until you obey the command of God to teach them His Word. More than we need food, clothes, money or shelter; more than armament, even more than peace, we need Christian homes!

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Instead, Christ is being criticized in high schools and colleges, where the Biblical truth concerning His deity and His redemption are often openly ridiculed. Christ is assailed in many courts of the United States, particularly in divorce trials where perjury flourishes and the faithfulness His Word requires of husbands and wives is contemptuously cast aside. Christ is opposed by some of the high figures in Washington circles who, forgetting that this nation was founded by men of the Christian faith, publicly reject His Word and write articles for popular magazines in which Bible truth is decried. Christ is contradicted even in thousands of American churches which cunningly deny that He is our God and Savior, which hate the mention of the atoning blood. A campaign to dethrone is being waged by organized atheism, particularly under the political influence of ruthless Communism. Even now in war-devastated Europe this anti-God, anti-Jesus, anti-Bible curse is gaining new strength. In Southern France, Communism is spreading rapidly; and this is only the beginning of what we may soon expect when defeated, desperate masses flock to the Red banner. The swelling tide of this destruction will sweep across the ocean to wash our shores and to strengthen the strategy of the Communists who already have important places in certain sectors of American education, American labor, American youth movements, American government circles. Because our faith is under fire on these various fronts and the battalions of Christ-deniers are increasing, God wants all of us who love the Savior to defend His cause to the utmost. The churches should be militant, always engaged in a holy offensive against those who seek to dethrone Jesus."

Dr. T. L. Lewis To Address N.H. N.A.E. Convention

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Oct. 10—The second annual conference of the New Hampshire branch of N.A.E. will be held here on Monday, Oct. 23, at the Court Street Christian Church.

The conference will open with a devotional message by Rev. Chester Parmley of Portsmouth, at 2:00 P. M. At 2:30, information and explanations about the fields of activity will be given by the following men: Radio, local and national, Rev. Edward T. Barram, Troy, N. H.; Religious education, Rev. Milton Baker, Hampton Falls, N. H.; War Relief, Mr. Charles W. Campbell, Boston; and the organizational setup of the N.A.E. Rev. George McNeil, Secretary of the N. E. district.

At 3:30, the business session will be held, at which time reports will be read, officers elected, committees appointed, and action on promotional activities will be taken. Dr. Mark Clark of Concord, N. H. and vice-president of the N. H. Conference will bring a message on the topic "He is altogether lovely", at 4:00 P. M.

Supper will be served by the ladies of the church, and then at 7:30, Dr. T. Leonard Lewis, President of Gordon College of Theology and Missions, Boston, will bring the evening message after an inspirational song service led by Rev. George MacNeil.

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In the musical service preceding the broadcast, Philip A. Benson, president of the Dime Savings Bank, Brooklyn; Frederick R. Sacher, Jr., superintendent of the New York City Reformatory at New Hampton, and Robert Swanson led the audience in prayer. Among those who gave testimonials of their conversions were comdr. D. A. Seilers, United States Navy; Chief Petty Officer John Prince of the Navy; Gil Dodds, famous runner; Glenn Wagner, former University of Illinois football player; the Rev. George Shilling of the Memorial Baptist Church, Middlebury, Vt.; Patrolman Carl A. Johnson; Detective Conrad S. Jensen and Lieut. William F. L. Preston of the New York City Fire Department.

More Norwegian Clergymen Placed Under Arrest

STOCKHOLM (By Wireless) (RNS), Oct. 6 —New arrests of rebel clergymen are reported from German-occupied Norway. There are now 16 Norwegian pastors in the Grini concentration camp near Oslo, while about 25 have been sent to prisons in Germany.

Three bishops of the State Lutheran Church are included among 42 clergymen ousted from their posts and exiled to Lillehammer, where they are under constant police surveillance. Two pastors have died in prison.

Among those most recently taken into custody are Pastors Ivar Sjaastad, Hans Geitanger, and Knut Tjomsland, each of whom has been arrested for the third time. Earlier, German authorities rounded up Pastors Erik T. B Sundby, B. H. Skauge, Olaf Aarvold, Maritz Loege, Nils Hov, John Ryan, and Dean Peter Robertstad.

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Gastonia Planning Evangelistic Campaign November 5 To 19

GASTONIA, N. C., Oct. 10—Last February the NAE arranged for a Southern trip in which Doctor Wright, Doctor Ayer and Doctor Iverson participated. Meetings were held in Gastonia, North Carolina; Columbia, South Carolina; Augusta, Georgia; Jacksonville and Miami, Florida, and God's blessing attended this tour.

The initial meeting, in Gastonia, was most unusual. Hundreds of ministers from the city and surrounding territory gathered at the meetings. Interest ran high and spirituality was deep. After the services were all over, about nine-thirty in the evening, the presence of the Spirit of God was so manifest that a large group of ministers asked Doctor Wright for another meeting at which Doctor Ayer might speak to the pastors on some spiritual theme closest to his heart. This was done. Great interest was shown—the meeting continuing until about 10:30 p.m.; even than the people were reluctant to leave, though many had driven scores of miles to be present at the service.

Now comes the blessed aftermath. The churches of greater Gastonia are planning a simultaneous evangelistic campaign for the weeks of November 5 to 19. Each church will have its own meeting, with a service every night. Besides the simultaneous meetings in all of the churches, there will be two radio programs daily and daily meetings for the ministers, for prayer and breakfast fellowship services.

A survey is to be made two weeks before the meetings begin, to completely familiarize the locality with the services and to arouse them to action. Central meetings are to be held, and the whole uptown area is to give itself to the revival. All stores of the city will be closed and other business activities stopped during the morning hour of services. Doctor Ayer of New York has received a letter from Doctor Irving M. Ellis, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Gastonia and chairman of the program committee of the Ministerial Association, saying that the Association would like him to be the speaker at the central meetings, and he has consented to go—believing that it is the working of God in response to an unusual leadership of the Spirit during the NAE meeting last February. "We would like for you to reaffirm our faith and confidence," writes Doctor Ellis to the New York pastor, "and challenge the Christian people to tasks confronting the church today."

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HICAGO, Ill., Oct. 6—Twenty- thousand young people are cted to attend the giant Vic- Rally in Chicago Stadium, rday, October 21, beginning :00 P. M., sponsored by Chi- land Youth for Christ, the nization which has been ing Orchestra Hall every Sat- y night during the past mer. This event, under the ction of Torrey Johnson, fea- a twenty-five hundred voice r with Professor T. J. Bitti- in charge, plus the aug- ted Salvation Army Staff , comprising bandsmen from ver the Chicago area.

usic for the evening includes rly Shea, popular radio n-singer; Rose Arzoomanian, e soprano voice has thrilled sands in youth rallies ghout the Middle West; las Fisher at the console of Stadium organ; and Robert as congregational song er.

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Plans for the weeks that follow October 21st call for Saturday night meetings to be held in the world-famous Moody Memorial Church, Clark Street at North Avenue, and program features which include long-distance telephone calls by service men and a continuation of the radio broadcast with streamlined programming that appeals especially to young people.

vy Communion tended By 8,000

MPSON, N. Y. (RNS) Oct. 2 lieved to be one of the larg- Protestant congregations ever ve received Holy Communion a single roof, 8,000 navy and women at the United Naval Training Center participated in observance orld Communion Sunday.

rty Protestant clergymen of denominations assisted 15 ains in the administration of acrament as service person- knelt at communion rails extended 350 feet down the e of the center aisle of the drill shed.

e service was arranged by William W. Edel, senior ain at the Sampson center.

Birmingham Assoc. Reports 10,000 Membership

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., (RNS), Sept. 28—Organized three years ago to stimulate interest in Sunday school and Bible classes, the Birmingham Brotherhood Association now has a membership of 10,000 in 135 Protestant churches in the city.

In the past year, 10,000 homes were visited by the Association to invite adult male members to attend Bible classes.

Business Men To Meet At Minneapolis

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 10—Several hundred delegates from all sections of Canada and the United States will gather for the Seventh Annual Convention of the Christian Business Men International at Minneapolis next week. Hotel Radisson is the convention headquarters.

Opening on Wednesday evening, October 18, with a commemoration of the Lord's Supper, there will be a full and varied program through the following Sunday.

A daily broadcast has been arranged over station WLOL, Minneapolis, WEAU, Eau Clair, Wisconsin, WJMC, Rice Lake,. Wisconsin, WEBC, Duluth, Minnesota, WMFG, Hibbing, Minnesota, and WHLB, Virginia, Minnesota at 11:30 to 12:00 A. M. Street meetings will be twice daily, at 7th Street and Nicollet Ave., from 12:00 to 1:30 P. M. and at 7th Street and Hennepin Avenue from 9:00 to 11:00 P. M.

The annual convention banquet will be held on the evening of Saturday, October 21.

Report 2,600 Fires In U.S. Churches During 1943

BOSTON, Mass. (RNS) Oct. 6—Churches in the United States suffered about 2,600 fires during 1943 with losses amounting to $4,500,000, according to estimates of the National Fire Protection Association here. These figures show a slight decrease over 1942, when 2,800 fires caused an aggregate loss of $5,100,000.

Pointing out that fire losses in most classes of property have increased sharply during the war period, Warren Y. Kimball, Association engineer, said the figures were an encouraging sign that churches are showing more interest and concern in safety measures.

Mr. Kimball explained that the Association's estimates were based on state fire marshal reports in typical states which report their fire losses on an occupancy basis.

Portland To Organize Ministerial Fellowship

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 7—Ministers of the Portland, Oregon area who have been interested in the work of the National Association of Evangelicals, have taken steps to organize a ministerial fellowship at a meeting held at Staub Memorial Congregational Church in Portland, October 6, 1944.

The Executive Committee of the Oregon and South Washington Conference of N. A. E. issued a call for those who were interested to gather at a noon-day luncheon which was followed with a meeting for organization of this fellowship. About thirty ministers were present.

Following the luncheon, Dr. F. Carl Truex, of Stockton, California, brought a splendid devotional message which was a challenge to the ministers for a life of prayer to enrich their ministry.

The chairman of the Oregon and South Washington Conference, Rev. Graeme C. Smith, pastor of the host church, then presented the matter of organization of a minister's fellowship, and after discussion, a committee was appointed to take further steps to this end.

A general meeting for the public was held in the evening, at which time, Rev. William H. Nagel, the new director for N. A. E. for the Northwest Pacific area, was introduced and spoke briefly.

Dr. F. Carl Truex then gave the inspirational address of the evening. A special feature which all enjoyed was the singing of Mr. Hilding Halverson, of Seattle, who led both in the congregational singing and rendered special solo numbers.

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7. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in Christ.

French Protestant Leader Warns Against Violence

GENEVA (By Wireless (RNS) Oct. 5—Commending French Protestants for resisting the German occupation of France, Dr. Marc Boegner recently warned against "reactions of violence and hatred."

In his first public statement since the freeing of Paris, the president of the French Protestant Federation decried excesses caused by a desire for revenge, and declared that the chief responsibility of French churches is to proclaim that "Christ's gospel demands respect for every human being.

"No race, no people, no social sphere, no man," he said, "is outside the love of God. Thus, each human being has a dignity, and any attack against his dignity can never be passed over in silence by the churches.

"The churches are well aware of the passions aroused, the bleeding wounds, the atrocious injustices, the thirst for vengeance. But they would be greatly untrue to their vocation were they not to demand that the behavior, the abuses and excesses, for which those recently holding power were so justly reproached should not be renewed even with the tacit approval of those in power today.

"I have all the more confidence in saying this because, as they were so often reproached for it in the past four years, the vast majority of Protestants have been passively or actively opposed to the occupants. But it is just because they are almost unanimous in acclaiming the return of the essential liberties that I feel obliged to put you all on guard against reactions of violence and hatred.

"Such reactions would only result in delaying the recovery of the homeland and would compromise the great moral credit which our noble nation has once more recovered."

YMCA Sends Christmas Gifts To War Prisoners

NEW YORK, (RNS), Oct. 6—The War Prisoners Aid of the YMCA reports it is sending a record shipment of Christmas supplies to Americans in German prison camps and to 300 working detachments of American prisoners inside Germany.

Included are room decorations, holly wreaths, bells, tinsel ropes, favors, good luck charms, flags, tree ornaments and lights, and noisemakers for New Year celebrations.

N. A. E. WAR RELIEF

Announcements elsewhere in this issue give the necessary information to local committees and individuals for shipping relief material to the central receiving point from which it will be prepared for trans-shipment to Europe.

Many communications received from cities all over the country indicate the extensive interest which Christian people have in this project, designed as it is, not only to supply physical comfort, but spiritual help as well.

Many radio programs will carry this appeal and many periodicals will help by free advertising. This will-to-cooperate must extend to churches, organizations, and individuals throughout America until a great stream of clothing, shoes, and bedding flows continuously to the N.A.E. warehouse, thence to the destitute across the sea.

The plan of sharing the cost of one meal a week until Easter with those who are in such desperate need, as it has been so successfully carried out in Park Street Church (See page 1) should commend itself to thousands of churches. If generally adopted among evangelicals, it will enable us to do a mighty work of life saving during the coming year. In the capable hands of experienced leaders already on the field the distribution will provide a rare opportunity both for us and them to practically demonstrate the concern which we feel for their welfare, physically and spiritually. **Let's get busy today in our church and community!**

The National Citizens Political Action Committee Goes Religious

The C.I.O. is not overlooking the opportunity to recruit large numbers of church members in its drive to control the politics of this nation. It has just issued a tract entitled "This is the Church, This is the Steeple, Open the Doors, And There are the People." This is being widely circulated.

The purpose of this tract is to solicit membership to "The Religious Associates of the National Citizens Political Action Committee of the C.I.O." The "Religious Associates" are to help "the American people to find, choose, and support political officials who stand for the people's welfare in the National Administration, in Congress, in State Administration, in State Legislative bodies, in City administrations and in all departments of local government." On the back cover the announcement is made that the N.C.P.A.C. is a "non-partisan organization for the election of Franklin D. Roosevelt and a progressive Congress."

Says the tract: "If you wish to become a Religious Associate, you may write to Dr. Dwight J. Bradley, 205 East 42d St., New York 17, N. Y., and say that you are interested. He will be glad to hear from you." Dr. Dwight J. Bradley is the Executive Director of the Council for Social Action of the Congregational Christian Churches and is prominent in the Federal Council of the Churches for Christ in America.

No doubt this effort to corral the votes of the church will appeal to that section of Protestantism which is interested in the "class struggle." Modernism has always been a promoter of class consciousness, and has done Communism a great service in this country by fostering the doctrine that the masses must rise against capitalism and destroy the profit motive in business. For years there has existed an underground connection between organized modernism and Communism in this country. Now it is coming out into the open.

The C.I.O. is controlled by leaders who are Communists or at least openly sympathetic to its doctrines. The welding together of the modernists and the Communists in this country through the Religious Associates of the C.I.O. is of major significance. We believe this strategy will do much to arouse lethargic Christians to a realization of the need of united action against forces which imperil the nation.

J.E.W.

Missionaries Are Disturbed By Portugese Restrictions

NEW YORK, (RNS), Oct. 3—North American missionary leaders are "deeply disturbed" at treatment Protestant missionaries are receiving at the hands of Portuguese government officials.

According to charges made before the fall meeting of the Africa Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference here, the Portuguese government in Lisbon has consistently denied entrance visas to missionaries seeking to return to their Protestant mission schools, hospitals, and churches in Portuguese-held territories in Africa.

One mission board reported it has not been able to replace missionary personnel in Portuguese Angola for four years despite repeated requests to Lisbon for visas during this period. Two other mission board heads declared they had been unable to get their missionaries into Angola by any direct approach.

The head of a medical mission society declared he had been advised by his representative in Portuguese territory to send communications and funds on stationery other than that of his own organization to avoid difficulties.

Dr. Emory Ross, executive secretary of the Foreign Missions Conference summarized the situation this way: "Clearly this is a question of infringement of religious liberty and missionary freedom.

"Representations have been made to the Department of State in Washington both on the broad aspects of religious liberty and on the persistent barriers encountered in Portuguese areas. Public opinion in this country and among forward-looking people in Portugal needs to be directed to this matter.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance, September 1	**$**	**197.50**
Receipts		**6,738.02**
		6,935.52
Disbursements		**6,752.54**
Balance, September 30	**$**	**182.98**
1944 N. A. E. Budget		**$75,000.00**
Received during first six months		**27,448.11**
Balance needed		**$47,551.89**

All friends who are interested in this great movement for United Action among Evangelicals are urged to take the financial needs of the work on their hearts, praying and giving as the Lord directs.

Roving Reporter

Rev. William A. Mierop, Th. B., is commencing his duties as the newly elected president of the Bible Institute of Pennsylvania. Mr. Mierop is a graduate of the Institute and also of Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has served the Baptist Church at Ocean City for seven years.

The Youth for Christ program in Boston, which was instituted several weeks ago under the au- spices of the radio committee of the N. E. District of N.A.E., is drawing large crowds every Sat- urday night. The services are held at Park Street Church. Mr. George Shuler, the composer, was heard on September 20, and Gil Dodds on October 7.

We congratulate the Baptist churches of the West in the successful launching of the new California Baptist Theological Seminary in Los Angeles and wish for it a blessed and useful existence. Many of its directors are identified with N.A.E. on the Coast.

The recently announced divorce rate in Los Angeles is startling. Dr. Paul Porenoe, director of the American Institute of Family Relations states that for the first six months of 1944 Reno had 6[illegible] marriages, for a divorce rate of 46%. Los Angeles County had in the same period, 16,578 marriages and 11,797 divorce applications, or a divorce rate of 71 per cent. He expects the divorces to exceed the marriages in the post war period. The time to lock the stable is before the horse is stolen. Let's devote more attention to the pre- education of our young people in the responsibilities of married life and warn them against taking this important step until both parties first dedicate their lives to Christ.

Record Large Enrollment At Columbia

COLUMBIA, S. C., Oct. 10— this date the total enrollment of Columbia Bible College (including several whose registration is pending) is 221, as over against an enrollment for this date last year of 209. However, the dormitory students last year numbered 173, as against 195 dormitory students this year. This is our first year, therefore, that are filled to capacity. Pray for the provision for the coming year.

Salvation Army Paris Refuge Center Damaged

STOCKHOLM, (By Wireless) (RNS), Oct. 6 — The Salvation Army's City of Refuge in Paris was severely damaged during the German bombing attack after the liberation of the French capital. The 11-story, modernistic structure, designed to accommodate up to 500 applicants, was built in 1932 from plans drawn up by noted French architects. Its equipment includes medical and dental clinics and a consultation bureau.

Subscriptions To Church Organs Show Increase

HARRISBURG, Pa., (RNS)— Substantial increases in circulation of two periodicals of the Evangelical Church were reported at the annual meeting of its Board of Publication here. The Evangelical-Messenger, official church organ, now has 19,553 subscribers and the Evangelical Crusader, youth paper, 25,037.

A building in Cleveland, O., formerly used as one of the denomination's publishing houses was transferred to the Ministers' Pension Fund of the Church.

Protestants In The Soviet Union

Polyansky, Soviet Official, Explains Their Status

MOSCOW (By Wireless) (RNS) ctober 2.—Protestant and other n-Orthodox groups in the So- t Union have created associa- ns to deal with the newly- rmed Soviet Council on Affairs Religious Cults, according to chairman, Ivan Vasilievich olyansky. The Soviet official, in interview with Religious News rvice, gave the first full out- e of non-Orthodox religious oups in the U.S.S.R.

The council is a companion dy to the Soviet Council on Af- rs of the Greek Orthodox urch organized to maintain ntact with the predominant ssian church. It has already, cording to Polyansky, set up to 30 field representatives in provincial and regional soviets, d is expected eventually to in- ase the number of about a ndred.

"The council's jurisdiction," lyansky explained, "extends to e churches, namely, Armenian- egorian, Old Believers, Roman tholic, Greek Catholic, and theran. In addition, it deals h affairs of the Moslem, Jew- , and Buddhist faiths, and h Baptist, Seventh Day Ad- tist, and other evangelical ts. Furthermore, any religious up or congregation has the t to appeal to the council for in the solution of difficulties."

he Soviet executive revealed t Russian Baptists, of whom re are about 4,000,000 and se position has been obscure some years, united at the be- ning of the war with other ngelical groups to form a sin- organization called the Union Evangelical Christians and tists. Seat of this organiza- is in Moscow and its chair- is Mikhail Akhimovich Or- The Seventh Day Adventists e a council in Moscow, headed Grigory Andreyevich Grigoriev, deal with the Soviet commit-

f the leaders of any religious up," Polyansky declared, "find ecessary to call a conference, establish ministerial courses, to obtain special services for re-opening of churches, syna- ues, or mosques, they make lication to the government ugh our council." He stressed all churches and faiths are ted on an equal basis.

orn in 1898 near Moscow of king class parents, Polyansky graduate of a teachers' insti- in one of the Ural cities. He equently taught there and headed the Workers' Facul- During the Civil War he d in the Red Army, after- s becoming a political work- mong soldiers.

hen he was asked why he was n for his present work, he

really can't tell. After all, it difficult to find a man ac- ted with the mass of prob- arising in the course of deal- with a score of churches and ons. The government thought the necessary qualifications he task, and I have been do- y best to cope with it."

mbers of the council, in ad- to Polyansky, are: Ruben dievich Tateosof, a native of nia, who serves as executive tary; Karl Janovich Pugo; Jury Vladimirovich Sadow- The post of vice-chairman ot yet been filled.

yansky gave Religious News ce an outline of the location arious non-Orthodox church s in the Soviet Union, but he was unable to supply ac- membership figures.

tal membership of the non- dox churches," he declared, fficult to determine. Under law no census, registration, plication for any position ver, nor any state docu- may carry a question con- religious belief. Thus no s statistics have been kept. ceptions are the Baptist and h Day Adventist sects, only accept members upon the age of 18, when fully conscious of their obligations,' and thus know how many members and followers they have. However, since most of these church members are in localities only recently liberated, no complete statistics exist even among these groups."

Polyansky described the present status, organization, and leadership of Protestant and other churches and sects in the U.S.S.R. as follows:

The Roman Catholic Church is located principally in Western Ukraine and Western Bielorussia and is also found in Luthuania, and possibly in Latvia and Estonia. In other areas, congregations are small and scattered.

The Armenian-Gregorian Church headed by Vice Catholicose Cheorel Chan, has organized a center in Achemiedzin monastery, some twelve or fourteen miles from Erivan. The Old Believers, led by Archbishop Irinarkh, have a center in Moscow.

The Greek Catholic Church has been almost completely under German rule for three years, but with the recent liberation of Iwow, Poland, and the surrounding area, "it is again carrying on its work in freedom." The church is headed by Metropolitan Andrei Sheptitsky, and its adherents are mainly located in Galicia.

The Lutheran Church is limited chiefly to Latvia, Estonia, and the regions of Finland which became part of the Soviet Union under 1940 and current treaties. Little is known concerning this church and its situation.

Moslems in the U.S.S.R. have no united center but are directed by four spiritual councils. These centers are in Ufa Probashkir, autonomous Soviet socialist republic, where the leader is Mufti Rassulev; Tashkent, center for central Asia and Kazakhstan, which is controlled by Ishan Babe Khan; Baku, headquarters for Trancaucasia, where authority rests with Sheikh Ul Islam Alizade Aghund Aga; and Bumaksk, in Daghestan, which is the center for northern Caucasia.

The Jewish faith, according to Polyansky, never had a united center, and does not have one today. Each religious community is independent, but is in correspondence with others. The Buddhists, he said, are essentially limited to Buryat, Mongolian republic, and are now organizing.

California Baptist Theological Seminary Gets Underway

LOS ANGELES, Cal. (RNS), Oct. 4—Dr. John W. Bradbury, editor of the Watchman-Examiner, was the convocation speaker on the occasion of the opening of the California Baptist Theological Seminary here yesterday. Many leaders from all sections of the Southwest were present for the exercises, which were held in the Auditorium Building, a portion of which has been leased by the school.

The following officers have been elected: Fred I. Drexler, Chairman; John R. Siemens, Secretary; Walter A. Pegg, Treasurer. The Board includes W. W. Catherwood, Riverside, Cal.; Hubert A. Davidson, Los Angeles, Cal.; Fred W. Fickett, Tuscon, Arizona; John R. Siemens, Los Angeles, Cal.; David M. Dawson, San Jose, Cal.; Arthur F. Colver, San Diego, Sal.; Fred I. Drexler, Mill Valley, Cal.; Harry H. MacArthur, Los Angeles, Cal.; Erroll O. Shour, North Hollywood, Cal.; C. I. Tucker, Glendale, Cal.; Arno Q. Weniger, San Francisco, Cal.; Richard S. Beal, Tucson, Arizona; Lewis J. Julianel, San Francisco, Cal.; Frank M. Kepner, Pomona, Cal.; Walter A. Pegg, Huntington Park, Cal.; F. Carl Truex, Stockton, Cal.; and John Bunyan Smith San Diego, Cal.

The faculty for the first year will be Milford L. Baker, Th. B., M. R. E., Th. D. Dean and Registrar. New Testament and Greek; Hugo H. Foucar, B. A., Th. B., Th. M., Th. D., Old Testament and Hebrew; A. Donald Minton, Th. B., LL.B., Systematic and Biblical Theology; Willis G. Downing, B. S., Th. M., Church History and Missions; Hubert A. Davidson, B. A., B. D., Th. M.; Homiletics and Practical Theology; H. B. O. Phillpotts, Evangelism; Ivan A. Kmeta, B. A., B. D., Th. D., Russian Language, and Customs; F. John Carter, B. S., Th. B., Th. M., Religious Education.

According to the founders this seminary has been organized "because of a great need. In a day when rationalism rules in the religious world to a surprising extent, when fundamental truths are made a joke and a mockery, when authority is spurned, the hearts of many turn to God in prayer for institutions of learning based on the fundamental truths of the Word of God.

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Lutherans Hold Intersynodical Conference In Cleveland, Ohio

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Oct. 4 (RNS)—For the first time in the history of the city, representatives of the Lutheran Missouri Synod, American Lutheran Conference, and the United Lutheran Church met here in an intersynodical conference.

The conference, which included nearly 100 ministers from the three Lutheran bodies in Cleveland, approved by an overwhelming vote an affirmation on doctrine drawn up by commissioners on unity from the Missouri Synod and the American Lutheran Church. It was presented by Dr. J. C. Fritz of Concordia Seminary.

Dr. H. L. Yochum of Detroit, president of the American Lutheran Conference, a federation of five groups, discussed the "overture for Lutheran Unity" compiled by the Conference's commission on unity.

This overture recites items on which Lutheran bodies are in substantial agreement and emphasizes the principle of "Lutheran pulpits for Lutheran pastors only and Lutheran altars for Lutheran communicants only."

It also re-affirms that Lutheran synods should "testify against the sin of lodgery and put forth earnest efforts publicly and privately to enlighten and persuade persons who are members of anti-Christian societies to sever their connections with such organizations."

France Holds Day Of Prayer For War Prisoners

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) October 2—A National Day of Prayer for the "rapid liberation and peaceful return" of French war prisoners and deportees still in Germany was observed throughout France on Sunday, October 8, according to an article in the Paris newspaper, Liberation, reported to the Office of War Information here. "In Germany," the newspaper said, "2,600,000 French joined their prayers to those of all France."

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400 Judges To Get Copies Of Kansas City 'Released Time' Plan

KANSASC ITY, Kans. (RNS) Oct. 9—Copies of the "Kansas City Kansas Plan," a concise review of the organization of operation of the local weekday church school system, regarded as one of the most outstanding in the country, are being mailed to 400 judges by Judge Clark E. Tucker of the juvenile and probate court here.

Pointing out that there are 200,000 youths in houses of correction in the U. S., Judge Tucker declared that "many of them are there because they violated God's commandment, 'Thou shalt not steal.' "

He said that the weekday church school system had definitely contributed to the reduction and prevention of delinquency among youth of Kansas City.

Oregon Has Big Divorce Increase

SALEM, Ore (RNS) Oct. 10—Oregon divorces are increasing at a more rapid rate than population, Leslie M. Scott, state treasurer, reported, listing 8,215 divorce suits filed for the year ended last June 30, compared with 3,570 during the year ended June 30, 1935.

Multnomah County (Portland) had an increase of 147 per cent in divorce suit fees ($5 per suit) paid to the state in the latest 12-month period, numbering 4,319 suits against 1,827 for the fiscal year 1940. Mr. Scott blamed growth in population and war marriages for the alarming increase.

Bishop Lee Reports 159 Chaplain War Casualties

NEW YORK (RNS) Oct. 10—Reporting that there were [illegible] chaplains in the U. S. Army, Bishop Edwin F. Lee, director of the General Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains, revealed here that 159 of them have been war casualties. He spoke at a dinner given chaplains of the Greater New York area by the Congregational Christian Churches.

Bishop Lee said that 39 chaplains have been killed in action, 44 died from wounds, 42 others were wounded, and 34 were prisoners of war. He cited the figures to show that chaplains are paying with their lives to bring spiritual comfort to the armed forces.

The Rev. Frederick L. Fagley, chairman of the National Committee on Army and Navy Chaplains of the Congregational Christian Churches, pledged to the chaplains the faithful backing of the churches.

Reformed Church Endorses National Youth Fellowship

NEW YORK, (RNS), Oct. 6—Plans for a national fellowship of youth in the Reformed Church of America were endorsed at the semi-annual meeting of the denomination's Board of Education here.

Up until now, Reformed Church youth groups have met only locally, and in a few instances in regional conferences, and it is felt that a youth fellowship will insure wider national participation of young people in the affairs of the denomination.

Reporting that Sunday school attendance has fallen in communities where weekday religious instruction has been available through the pub schools, Mrs. Sanford E. C secretary for Religious and Mi sionary Education, urged curriculum emphasis in Sun schools be placed on doctrinal devotional practices peculiar the Church. Sunday school instruction, she said, should supplem rather than duplicate weekday ligious classes.

Lutherans Seat First Woman Delegate At Convention

SANDUSKY, Ohio (RNS) Oct. 10—Seating of the first woman delegate ever to attend a convention of the American Lutheran Church marked the opening day of the denomination's 8th biennial session here.

She was Mrs. Marie Wardlaw of Fort Collins, Colo., a delegate from the Central District of the American Lutheran Church. Women have participated in conventions of some of the 12 districts of the Church, but this was the first time a woman has been seated at a general convention.

The first business session also saw the election of Dr. Emmanuel Poppen of Columbus, Ohio, to his second six-year term as president of the Church. He assumed the office in April, 1937, on the death of President Carl C. Hein, and was formally elected at the convention here in 1938. Dr. Poppen, who is 70, was ordained in 1895.

Official opening of a church-wide appeal for $820,000 on be half of the Church's education in stitutions will take place month, it was announced. The funds will be appropriated to the four colleges and two theologi seminaries conducted by the de nomination, and to provide the building of a training sch for Mexican church workers, one for Negro workers of Church.

The Convention was infor that the first 20 pledges obtai in Texas totaled $50,000. T Texas District, where one of four colleges is located, has sumed $300,000 as its goal in campaign. It is planned to Texas Lutheran College at Seg to the status of a four-year ior college.

Other colleges of the Ch are Capital University, Colum Ohio; Wartburg College, Wa ly, Iowa; and Luther Col Regina, Saskatchewan, Can The two theological semina are located at Columbus, O and Dubuque, Iowa.

Baptists Ask Equal Rights For All Religious Groups

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) Oct. 10—An appeal for equal rights for all religious groups has been issued here by the Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations of the Northern, Southern, and National Baptist Conventions.

"We hold that religious liberty is the ultimate ground of all human liberties," the statement said, "that it preconditions the stability of democratic processes and democratic institutions. We hold that whenever a State, either by concordat or by union of Church and State, bestows upon any religious body favor, special legal protection, financial support or public honors, such action is an injustice to citizens who dissent from the doctrines of the favored body, a dangerous restriction of the rights of conscience, and a serious violation of the principles of religious liberty."

"Therefore," the committee declared, "we implore all States to terminate such privileges; and we beg all favored religious bodies to renounce such special privileges and to support the principle of equal rights of all religions. We advocate the adoption and application in all countries of the principles herein set forth and their benefits as demonstrated in the separation of Church and State, as secured by the First Amendment to our Federal Constitution."

The Committee also urged those at the peace table after the war "to put an end to every form of religious persecution," by adopting President Woodrow Wilson's proposal to the Paris Peace Conference in 1919. This declaration asked members of the League of Nations to "promise that they will make no law prohibiting or interfering with the free exercise of religion and that they will in no way discriminate, either in law or in fact, against those who practice any particular creed, religion, or belief, whose practices are not inconsistent with public order and public morals."

Canadian Catholics Offer UNRRA Workers

OTTAWA, Ont. (RNS) Oct. 10—The Roman Catholic Church in Canada is preparing to cooperate with the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration in providing social workers who would be associated with UNRRA in its activities in Europe and elsewhere, according to Msgr. Paul Bernier, French secretary of the Canadian Episcopate.

Msgr. Bernier said that UNRRA had made it clear it would depend to a considerable extent on the assistance of voluntary workers. He added that church social agencies might provide 10 persons with high qualifications, and that they would probably take an UNRRA training course.

Swedish Free Church Campaigns To Raise Funds For Post-War Aid

STOCKHOLM (By Wireless) (RNS) Oct. 9—A campaign to raise funds for post-war aid was approved at a conference here of the Swedish Free Church Co-operation Committee. The campaign will be conducted by associations represented in the committee, in conjunction with similar efforts by other Christian organizations in Sweden.

Greetings were read from the British Free Church Federal Council which stressed that the Christian Church must be "liberated from alliances with governments founded on force and torture," and from leaders "whose political viewpoint often meant a betrayal of the Gospel."

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National Bible Week To Be Observed October 9-15

NEW YORK, (RNS), Oct. 6—National Bible Week will be observed throughout the country, Oct. 9-15, it has been announced here by the Layman's National Committee, a non-sectarian, non-profit organization which has sponsored the event since 1941.

"We will never witness a universal conviction of the soundness of our American way of life," the Committee's chairman, Robert F. Nelson, said, "without our people realizing that America was founded on man's consciousness of God, man's daily labor and the fruits therefrom."

More than 150 Mayors are expected to open National Bible Week with a radio talk on their local stations. Last year, over 35 Governors issued formal proclamations on the observance, and the committee expects that number to be exceeded this year.

In addition to churches, cooperating groups include Chambers of Commerce, service clubs, fraternal organizations, labor unions, and industrial concerns.

Lutheran World Action Tops Goal Of $1,315,000

NEW YORK (RNS) Oct. 9—Lutheran World Action's goal of $1,315,000 for 1944 has already been exceeded by nearly $100,000, according to the Rev. Paul C. Empie, director of the campaign for the National Lutheran Council. He said that the eight Lutheran bodies affiliated with the Council have contributed more than 97 per cent of the amount in cash, with three months still to go.

A major share of the funds raised will be used for work among servicemen, and the remainder will be allocated to orphaned missions, European relief, American missions, emergency welfare work, war prisoners aid, radio, American Bible Society, refugee relief, and unforeseen emergencies.

Seventy-five per cent of all funds raised in excess of the budget will be allotted to work in the armed forces.

Nazarenes To Have Seminary In Kansas City

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (RNS) Oct. 9—Establishment of a theological seminary here has been approved by the Church of the Nazarene, and a nationwide drive will be held in February to raise $100,000 for the project. It is hoped the school will be ready for use by next September.

The denomination's general headquarters and all its publishing interests are located in Kansas City.

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rench Youth Groups onfront Liberation Tasks

ENEVA, (By [illegible]) 7—Protestant youth organi- s in France which carried underground work for refu- during the German occupation are now extending their ac- s to problems arising from liberation.

st active youth group in the ADE (Comite Inter-Mouvements Aupres des Evacues — the ined Committee for the Care vacuees) which not only aid interned Jewish and poli- refugees during the occupa- but secretly helped many ms of persecution to escape France.

w working completely in the , the CIMADE was launched e winter of 1939-40 not only d prisoners in the German entration areas, but to carry n underground campaign for rescue of Jewish and political ees. Many means were used twit the German authorities o smuggle refugees to places fety.

collaboration with French cipal and police authorities, CIMADE units frequently were refugees. Because many of the latter spoke French with a German accent, Alsatian passports papers were in great demand. Hunted persons were given shelter by peasants in districts near the Swiss frontier at great personal risk.

It was not infrequent for Christian boy scouts and youthful members of the CIMADE to conduct parties of adults and children, including aged and invalid persons, to the Swiss border, outwitting German patrols on the trains and roads. Many of the young "passeurs" were arrested, but the majority were able to escape by jumping from trains or by other dangerous methods.

Protestant and Catholic clergymen joined efforts in this rescue work. In Haute Savoie, a pastor sheltered up to 20 refugees for months at a time. One refugee was hidden for weeks in a well, others in grottoes and cellars, food being smuggled to them at night.

ould Permit Foreign inisters To Enter Russia

SCOW (By Wireless) (RNS) —Georgi G. Karpov, head of Soviet Council on Orthodox ch Affairs, said here his would not object to per- g foreign clergymen to en- Russia and "practice their g."

rpov declared, however, that sion of foreign priests and rs depended entirely upon Soviet Foreign Office.

statement was made in re- a question submitted by ious News Service: "Will Soviet Government permit n Catholic priests and Pro- t ministers to come into and if so, will they be per- d to conduct missionary ?"

rpov said priests and minis- may enter the country under me conditions as any other s and no special laws ex- rring them."

Soviet official asserted Pro- ts and Catholics inside Rus- ay carry on proselytizing and are, in fact, so doing. groups, including Catholic," d, "may issue tracts. They visit the homes of believers, may discuss their church religion with non-believers ith their consent enter their for the purpose of such dis- n."

stressed, however, that pub- n of tracts and religious ma- is subject to censorship and rrent paper shortage in .

ither should be underesti- in its effects," he said.

$900,000 Radio Budget Adopted By Adventists

(Published without endorsement as interesting information)

LOS ANGELES, Calif., (RNS), Sept. 27—Voice of Prophecy, Inc., sponsored by Seventh-day Adventists, adopted a budget of $900,000 for radio and other missionary activity at its annual meeting at Glendale.

The Voice of Prophecy, which broadcasts weekly over 368 stations in the U. S. and over 125 Latin-American stations in Spanish and Portuguese, claims to be the third largest religious radio program in the world.

In addition, a free Bible correspondence school is conducted with a student enrollment of 250,000, to whom Bible lessons are sent in six languages. More than 1,000 blind persons are enrolled in the Braille course, it was said.

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John Carrara Has Campaign In New England

BOSTON, Mass., Oct. [illegible]—Evangelist John Carrara held [illegible] campaigns at the Baptist Church in Brookfield, Mass. and the United Presbyterian Church in Quincy, Mass. during September. In the latter church the pastor reported the greatest meeting of any campaign held in recent years. Mr. Carrara is returning to this church for three weeks in [illegible]. He also addressed Youth for Christ at Park Street Church on September 16. Hundreds not able to get into the church listened on Boston Common to his message, which was broadcast over a public address system.

Thanksgiving Service To Mark End Of Shelling

LONDON (By Wireless) (RNS) Oct. 5—Plans are being made to hold a monster thanksgiving service on the Dover sea front "as soon as possible" to mark cessation of cross-Channel shelling by German guns. The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. William Temple, is scheduled to conduct the service.

All churches along the English southeast coast, notably those in Dover, Deal and Folkestone, held special thanksgiving services Sunday, October 1, to commemorate the end of four years of German bombing. Attendances were reported to have been the largest in many months.

League Organizes 2,000 Units Among U. S. Troops

PHILADELPHIA, (RNS) Oct. [illegible]—Two thousand units of the Service Men's Christian League have been organized among U. S. troops throughout the world, according to the Rev. Ivan M. Gould, general secretary of the League.

Organized late in 1942, the League [illegible] for servicemen [illegible] groups. Guided by [illegible] chaplains, [illegible] hold Bible classes, prayer meetings and discussion groups.

The League has an official monthly publication, "The Link," with a circulation of [illegible] the armed forces.

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New Hampshire Confession Of Faith Most Widely Adopted Among Baptists

BOSTON, Mass., Oct. 6—The so-called New Hampshire Confession of Faith was originally framed by the New Hampshire State Convention of Baptists in 1833. It was later revised and amplified somewhat. In response to inquiries we are giving the text of this Confession as it was published in 1890. We have omitted the many scripture quotations which were used. Those interested will find these in "The New Directory for Baptist Churches" by Edward T. Hiscox, D. D. published by the American Baptist Publication Society (1894).

I The Scriptures

We believe that the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired, and is a perfect treasure of heavenly instruction; that it has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth without any mixture of error for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which God will judge us; and therefore is, and shall remain to the end of the world, the true centre of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct creeds, and opinions should be tried.

II The True God

We believe the Scriptures teach that there is one, and only one, living and true God, and infinite, intelligent, Spirit, whose name is JEHOVAH, and Maker and Supreme Ruler of Heaven and Earth; inexpressibly glorious in holiness, and worthy of all possible honor, confidence and love; that in the unity of the Godhead there are three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption.

III The Fall of Man

We believe the Scriptures teach that Man was created in holiness, under the law of his Maker; but by voluntary transgression fell from that holy and happy state; in consequence of which all mankind are now sinners, not by constraint but by choice; being by nature utterly void of that holiness required by the law of God, positively inclined to evil; and therefore under just condemnation to eternal ruin, without defense or excuse.

IV God's Purpose of Grace

We believe the Scriptures teach that election is the eternal purpose of God, according to which He graciously regenerates, sanctifies and saves sinners; that being perfectly consistent with the free agency of man, it comprehends all the means in connection with the end; that it is a most glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, being infinitely free, wise, holy, and unchangeable; that it utterly excludes boasting, and promotes humility, love, prayer, praise, trust in God, and active imitation of His free mercy; that it encourages the use of means in the highest degree; that it may be ascertained by its effects in all who truly believe the Gospel; that it is the foundation of Christian assurance; and that to ascertain it with regard to ourselves demands and deserves the utmost diligence.

V The Way of Salvation

We believe the Scriptures teach that the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace; through the mediatorial offices of the Son of God; who according to the will of the Father, assumed our nature, yet without sin; honored the divine law by His personal obedience, and by His death made a full atonement for our sins; that having risen from the dead, He is now enthroned in heaven; and uniting in His wonderful person the tenderest sympathies with divine perfections, He is every way qualified to be a suitable, a compassionate and an all-sufficient Savior.

VI Of Regeneration

We believe the Scriptures teach that regeneration, or the new birth, is that change wrought in the soul by the Holy Spirit, by which a new nature and a spiritual life, not before possessed, are imparted, and the person becomes a new creation in Christ Jesus; a holy disposition is given to the mind, the will subdued, the dominion of sin broken, and the affections changed from a love of sin and guilt, to a love of holiness and God; the change is instantaneous, effected solely by the power of God, in a manner incomprehensible to reason; the evidence of it is found in a changed disposition of mind, the fruits of righteousness, and a newness of life. And without it salvation is impossible.

VII Of Repentance

We believe the Scriptures teach that repentance is a personal act, prompted by the Spirit; and consists in a godly sorrow for sin, as offensive to God and ruinous to the soul; that it is accompanied with great humiliation in view of one's sin and guilt, together with prayer for pardon; also by sincere hatred of sin, and a persistent turning away from, and abandonment of, all that is evil and unholy. Since none are sinless in this life, repentance needs to be often repeated.

VIII Of Faith

We believe the Scriptures teach that faith, as an evangelical grace wrought by the Spirit, is the medium through which Christ is received by the soul as its sacrifice and Savior. It is an assent of the mind and a consent of the heart, consisting mainly of belief and trust; the testimony of God is implicitly accepted and believed as true, while Christ is unreservedly trust for salvation; by it the believer is brought into vital relations with God, freely justified, and lives as seeing Him who is invisible. Faith cannot save, but it reveals Christ to the soul as a willing and sufficient Savior, and commits the heart and life to Him.

IX Of Justification

We believe the Scriptures teach that the great Gospel blessing which Christ secures to such as believe in Him is justification; that justification includes the pardon of sin, and the promise of eternal life on principles of righteousness; that it is bestowed, not in consideration of any works of righteousness which we have done, but solely through faith in the Redeemer's blood; by virtue of which faith His perfect righteousness is freely imputed to us of God; that it brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God, and secures every other blessing needful for time and eternity.

X Of Adoption

We believe the Scriptures teach that adoption is a gracious act, by which the Father, for the sake of Christ, accepts believers to the estate and condition of children, by a new and spiritual birth; sending the Spirit of adoption into their hearts, whereby they become members of the family of God, and entitled to all the rights, privileges and promises of children; and if children, then heirs, heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Jesus Christ, to the heritage of the saints on earth, and an inheritance reserved in heaven for them.

XI Of Sanctification

We believe the Scriptures teach that sanctification is the process by which, according to the will of God, we are made partakers of His holiness; that it is a progressive work; that it is begun in regeneration; that it is carried on in the hearts of believers by the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, the Sealer and Comforter, in the continual use of the appointed means—especially the Word of God, self-examination, self-denial, watchfulness, and prayer; and in the practice of all godly exercises and duties.

XII The Perseverance of Saints

We believe the Scriptures teach that such as are truly regenerate, being born of the Spirit, will not utterly fall away and finally perish, but will endure unto the end; that their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors; that a special Providence watches over their welfare; and they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

XIII The Law and Gospel

We believe the Scriptures teach that the Law of God is the eternal and unchangeable rule of His moral government; that it is holy, just, and good; and that the inability which the Scriptures ascribe to fallen men to fulfill its precepts arises entirely from their sinful nature; to deliver them from which, and to restore them through a Mediator to unfeigned obedience to the holy Law, is one great end of the Gospel, and of the Means of Grace connected with the establishment of the visible Church.

XIV A Gospel Church

We believe the Scriptures teach that a visible Church of Christ is a congregation of baptized believers, associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel; observing the ordinances of Christ; governed by His laws; and exercising the gifts, rights, and privileges invested in them by His word; that its only scriptural officers are bishops or pastors, and deacons, whose qualifications, claims, and duties are defined in the Epistles to Timothy and Titus.

XV Christian Baptism

We believe the Scriptures teach that Christian Baptism is the immersion in water of a believer in Christ, into the name of the Father, and Son, and Holy Ghost; to show forth, in a solemn and beautiful emblem, our faith in the crucified, buried, and risen Savior, with its effect, in our death to sin, and resurrection to a new life; that it is prerequisite to the privileges of a Church relation, and to the Lord's supper.

XVI The Lord's Supper

We believe the Scriptures teach that the Lord's Supper is a provision of bread and wine, as symbols of Christ's body and blood, partaken of by the members of the Church, in commemoration of the suffering and death of their Lord; showing their faith and participation in the merits of His sacrifice, and their hope of eternal life through His resurrection from the dead; its observance to be preceded by faithful self-examination.

XVII The Christian Sabbath

We believe the Scriptures teach that the first day of the week is the Lord's Day, and is to be kept sacred to religious purposes, by abstaining from all secular labor, except works of mercy and necessity, by the devout observance of all the means of grace, both private and public; and by preparation for that rest that remaineth for the people of God.

XVIII Civil Government

We believe the Scriptures teach that civil government is of divine appointment, for the interest and good order of human society; and that magistrates are to be prayed for, conscientiously honored and obeyed, except only in things opposed to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the only Lord of the conscience, and the Prince of the kings of the earth. But that civil rulers have no rights of control over, or of interference with, religious matters.

XXX Righteous and Wicked

We believe the Scriptures teach that there is a radical and essential difference between the righteous and the wicked; that such only as through faith are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and sanctified by the Spirit of our God, are truly righteous in His esteem; while all such as continue in impenitence and unbelief are, in His sight wicked and under the curse; and this distinction holds among men both in this life and after death.

XX The World To Come

We believe the Scriptures teach that the end of the world is approaching; that at the Last Day, Christ will descend from heaven, and raise the dead from the grave for final retribution; that a solemn separation will then take place; that the wicked will be adjudged to endless sorrow, and the righteous to endless joy; and that judgment will fix forever the final state of men in heaven or hell, on principles of righteousness.

Southern Baptists Launch Centennial Evangelistic Drive

Dr. M. E. Dodd To Direct Work

SHEVEPORT, L. A., Oct. 5—Under the able direction of Dr. M. E. Dodd of Shreveport, La., the Southern Baptists will rally their resources and membership to the support of a southwide crusade for Christ. The slogan will be "Two win one."

A call is being sent out to all general evangelists of the Southern Baptist churches to give full cooperation. The General Staff for the Centennial Evangelistic Crusade consists of Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Secretary of the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. T. D. Holcomb, Secretary of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.; and Dr. W. H. Knight, Chairman of Committee on Evangelism, Shreveport.

Dr. Dodd made the following statement of purpose and program:

"We are basing our hopes for success not upon the mechanics or method of evangelism, though they are necessary, but upon an outpouring of God's Spirit in answer to earnest prayers. What we want to see is a genuine revival off spiritual religion.

"No evangelistic method or technique can be continuing. What is old and well known among us today was one time new. We are casting this Crusade on:

(1) Personal Evangelism, in connection with the public proclamation.
(2) Extension meetings in halls, tents, etc., outside of the church building, and
(3) Bible and expository preaching.

"Each pastor and church will select their own evangelist and conduct their own meetings, and we hope in harmony with the plans outlined in our fields."

French Youth Center Destroyed By Air Raids

GENEVA (By Wireless) (RNS) Sept. 29—The well-known center of the French Student Christian Movement, located at Bievres near Paris, was destroyed by air raids, it has been learned here. The chapel, however, remained intact, and it is hoped to reconstruct the main building soon.

The central office of the Y. M. C. A. at Valence has also been reported destroyed by bombardment. No lives were lost, but all documents were burned.

Dr. Ayer To Speak At Conference

PORTLAND, Me., Oct. 10—State Chairman W. E. Robinson states that arrangements have been completed for an all day conference on October 30 at the Columbia Street Baptist Church in Bangor. This will be a statewide meeting.

Dr. William Ward Ayer of Calvary Baptist Church in New York and Rev. Melville G. Hatcher of N.A.E. will be the guest speakers. Out of town ministerial delegates are being given free overnight entertainment.

Protest Radio Station Ban

CLEVELAND, Ohio (RNS) Oc 10—Aroused over a ban by Station WGAR here on religious programs, Dr. D. R. Sharpe, executive secretary of Cleveland Baptist Association, h addressed a protest to the Fe eral Communications Commi in Washington.

Coincident with the objectio Dr. Sharpe, whose Sunday ing broadcasts will be tinued under the new ruling, Jo F. Patt, general manager of Cleveland station, Columbia broa casting system outlet, defend the policy.

In his letter, Dr. Sharpe clared WGAR would adopt a p icy of devoting free time for ligious broadcasts and reserve itself the determination of programs and personnel.

Dr. Sharpe wrote: "If this p icy obtains, the commercial enterprise will undoubtedly programs that conform to the ligious views of the station serve as an instrument of adve tising to the station.

"This policy, I contend, is real threat to the freedom of ligion and a denial thereof."

Mr. Patt declared the policy not new in radio and his stati intended to "devote three t as much time as formerly to ligious programs."

"We feel," Mr. Patt decla "that not only religious gr with the money to buy the grams should be given time also those without money. are just as much in accord freedom of religion as Dr. S and this is the policy to insure

The Baptist leader in his le charged "a commercial stati not competent to conduct a ligious program because it not have the technique, the grounds, and because its and soul is not in it."

Said Dr. Sharpe to the co sion: "If nothing can be done the present station, will you permission to the churches and operate our own statio

713 Missionaries Interned In South Pacific

NEW YORK. (RNS), Oct. Seven hundred and thi American missionaries are interned in Japanese - occ territories in the South P Joe J. Mickle, associate secr reported here to the East Committee of the Foreign sions Conference.

A survey of Protestant boards affiliated with the Co ence also disclosed that the 528 missionaries interned i Philippines, 130 in China, Japan, 7 in Malaya, 20 in erlands East Indies, 7 in China, and 11 in new Guin

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VIDALIA, Ga. (RNS), O 6—To encourage religious tion, the Vidalia High Sc offering a quarter-unit for day School attendance, the to be made upon certi from any Vidalia Sunday superintendent that the pu attended 30 out of 34 School engagements possible now until commencement i 1945. The quarter-unit credited against a total units.

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☐ through my church

☐ directly to the N.A.E. Commission.

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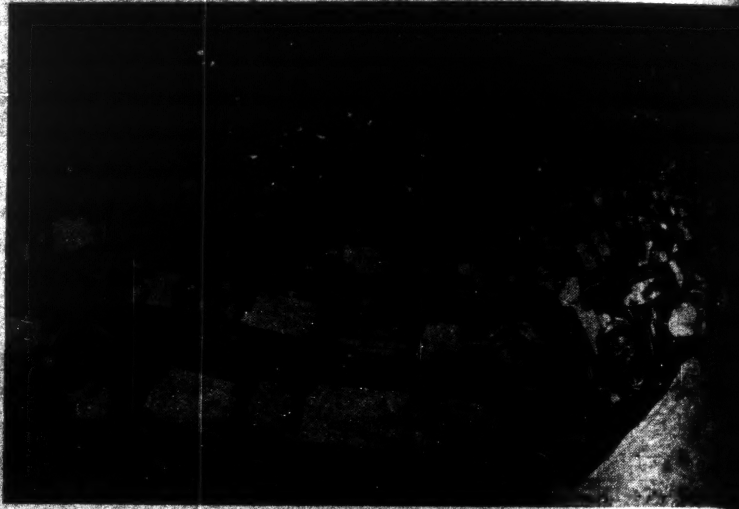
N.A.E. Commission for Post War Relief,
9 Park St., Boston 8, Mass.

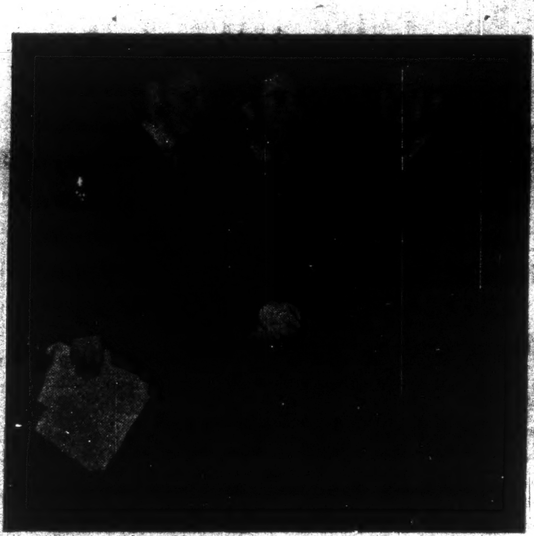
A part of the great mass choir of 4,000 young people who lifted the people attending to new heights spiritually with their inspirational songs led by F. Carlton Booth, associate of Jack Wyrtzen.

Commander D. A. Seiler
to the mass crowd on
theme of the whole rally,
Christ Means To Me."

Candid Camera Reports Madison Square Garden Youth Rally; 20,000 Attend



In upper photo — The Salvation Army Staff Band, as usual at their best, supplying the instrumental end of the 3-hour program at Madison Square Garden.

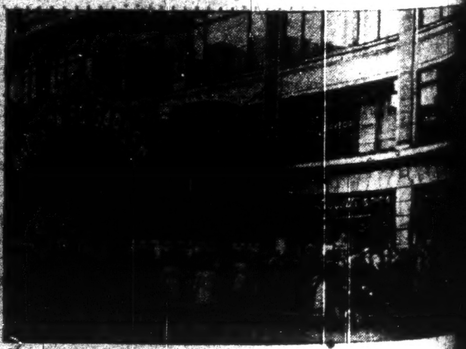


The Big Three, F. Carlton Booth, Music Director; Jack Wrytzen, Executive Director of Word Of Life Hour; and Norman Clayton, Organist and Composer.

Word Of Life
Rally Photos
Direct From
New York

Jack interviews Gil Dodds, America's number one athlete,
Radio Station WHN which broadcast the program.

A section of those participating in the program. There were detectives, highway patrolmen, a football player, service men and women all giving testimony that Christ is real.



This crowd came too late. The Garden was compl
filled by 8 P. M. in the evening, an hour and a half
the program started.